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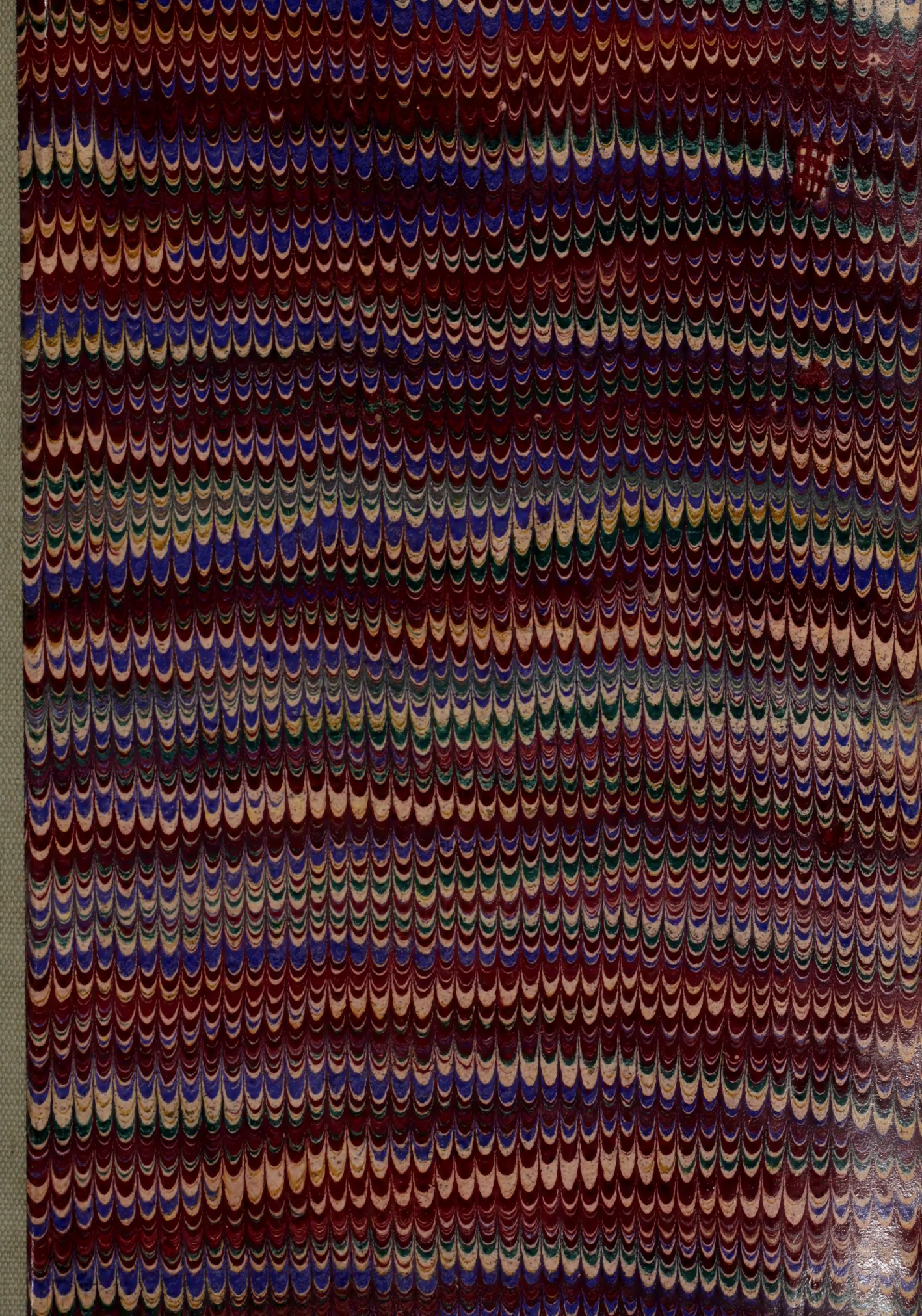
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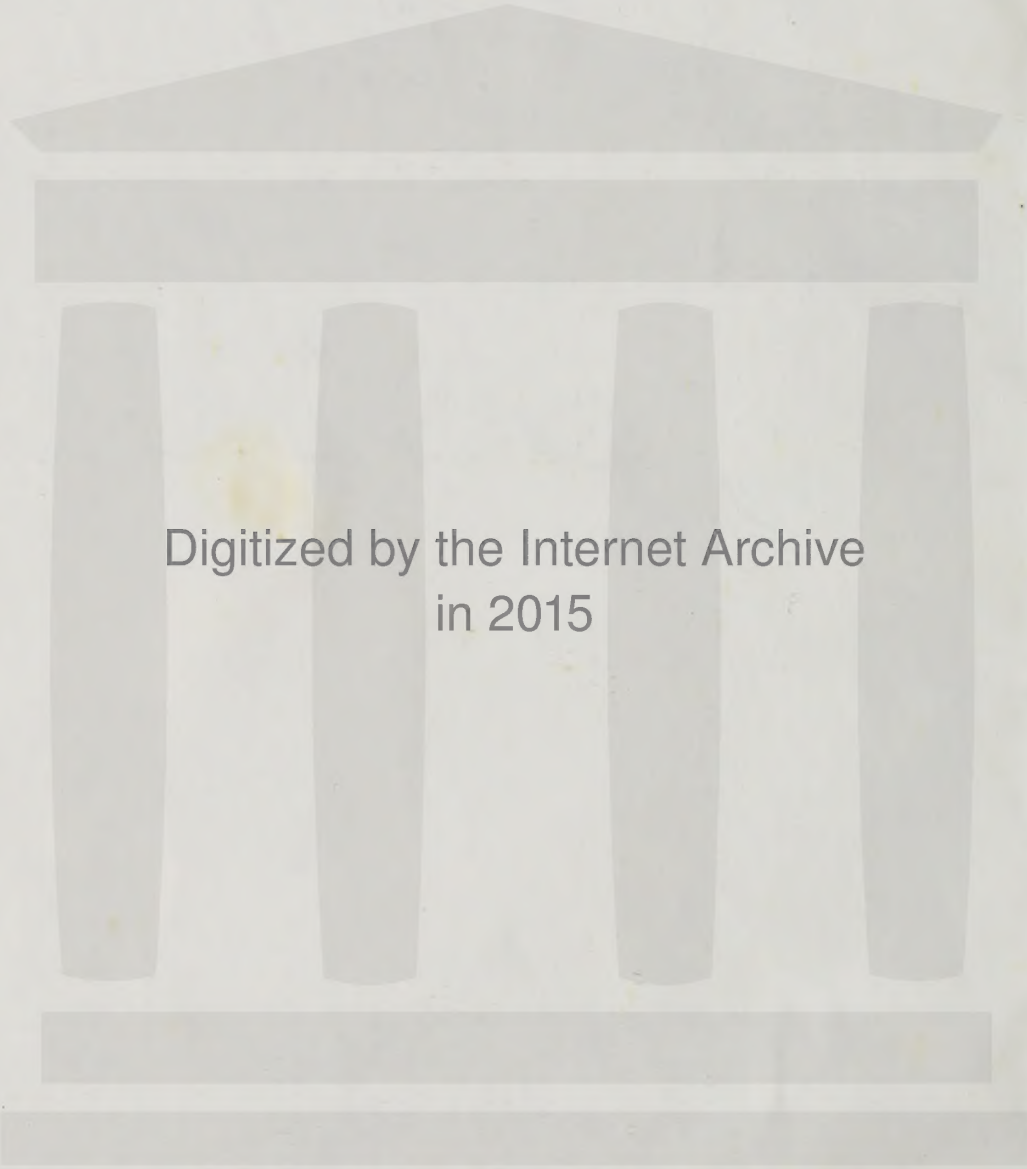
COPY OF RECORDS OF TOWN

MEETING - BOXFORD

1857-1893

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By John W. Parkhurst,
Boxford, Jan. 20, 1921. Town Clerk.

1857 At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bedford duly qualified to vote for town officers and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said Town on Monday the second day of March. A.D. 1857.

Chose Moses Dorman } Moderator

Chose William H. Wood } Town Clerk

Chose John F. Kimball }
 " William E. Killam } Selectmen
 " William H. Herrick }

Chose William A. Howe } Constables
 " Samuel Morse }

Chose William E. Killam }
 " Jefferson Kimball }
 " John Hale jr. } Tythingmen
 " Alfred Hale }
 " William R. Cole }
 " William R. Kimball }
 " Jonathan J. Porter }
 " John B. Lodget }

Chose Moses Dorman }
 " Joseph K. Farley }
 " Joseph N. Pope }
 " Jefferson Kimball } Field Drivers
 " Benjamin Woodbury }
 " Aaron L. Parker }
 " Walter French }

1857

| | | | |
|-------|---------------------|---|---------------|
| Chose | Benjamin F. Peabody | } | Field Drivers |
| " | William R. Kimball | | |
| " | Harrison C. Ross | | |
| " | John Day Jr. | | |
| " | Henry Barker | | |
| " | Daniel F. Harriman | | |
| " | John Hale Jr. | | |
| " | Solomon Lowe | | |

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|-------|--------------------|---|----------------|
| Chose | Benjamin S. Barnes | } | Fence Viewers. |
| " | Ancill Dorman | | |
| " | Solomon Lowe | | |
| " | William R. Kimball | | |
| " | Daniel F. Harriman | | |
| " | Thomas S. Hovey | | |

| | | | |
|-------|----------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Chose | Isaac Hale | } | Surveyors of Highways |
| " | Henry A. Towne | | |
| " | Aaron S. Pofford Jr. | | |
| " | Moses B. Rust | | |
| " | Dean Andrews | | |
| " | Benjamin French | | |
| " | Samuel Perley Jr. | | |
| " | Daniel Andrews | | |
| " | Richard F. Gurley | | |
| " | Charles Pearl | | |
| " | Asa Kimball | | |
| " | Harrison C. Ross | | |
| " | Marshall P. Carlton | | |
| " | Francis Marden | | |
| " | Charles Perley | | |
| " | William H. Munday | | |
| " | Augustus Hayward | | |
| " | Calvin Hubbard | | |
| " | Daniel F. Harriman | | |
| " | Benjamin S. Barnes | | |

| | | | |
|-------|----------------------|---|---------------------|
| Chose | Solomon Lowe | } | Surveyors of Lumber |
| " | Daniel Andrews | | |
| " | Augustus Hayward | | |
| " | Samuel Kimball | | |
| " | Edward S. Batchelder | | |
| " | Samuel N. Ayers | | |
| " | Joshua T. Day | | |
| " | Daniel F. Harriman | | |
| " | Jonathan J. Porter | | |
| " | Orville L. Hovey | | |
| " | John Pearl | | |
| " | John Day Jr. | | |

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|-------|---------------------|---|----------------------------|
| Chose | George Pearl | } | Measurers of Wood and Bark |
| " | George F. Pearl | | |
| " | William J. Sarage | | |
| " | John Hale Jr. | | |
| " | Joshua T. Day | | |
| " | Benjamin F. Peabody | | |
| " | Thomas L. Spofford | | |
| " | Samuel Bixby | | |

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|-------|------------------|---|--------------------|
| Chose | John Hale | } | Sealers of Leather |
| " | Phineas P. Tyler | | |

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|-------|------------------|---|---------------|
| Chose | William A. Howe | } | Pound Keepers |
| " | Orville L. Hovey | | |

Voted To choose a School Committee of three persons

Voted To adjourn the meeting one half hour

1857

Afternoon Session

The qualified voters met according to adjournment,
and proceeded to business

- Voted To suspend action on the first part of the 3rd article for the present
- Voted That each school district be allowed to choose their own Prudential Committee
- Voted That each school district be allowed to divide their proportion of the school money as they think proper, for Summer & Winter terms of school.
- Voted To accept the report of the Auditors
- Voted To accept the report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards
- Voted To accept the report of the Committee appointed by the Town to take the Care and management of the Estate devised to the Town by the Hon. Aaron Wood Esq. Also the Town's proportion of the surplus Revenue
- Voted To pass over the 8th article in the warrant for the present
- Voted That Town Officers for the current year bring in their bills to the Town for allowance

- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Moses Dorman for services as one of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, including two journeys to Salem and one to Newburyport, Cash paid for Sundry Articles \$80.54
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Moses Dorman for Cash delivered to John O'Brien \$4.75
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Moses Dorman for Cash paid Nathl. J. Lord for counsel respecting the assessment of Poll Taxes \$3.00
- Voted To allow a bill of Charge presented by John F. Kimball for services as Committee on roads for the year 1856 \$5.00
- Voted To allow a bill of Charge presented by W^m H. Wood for service as Auditor and cash paid for printing Report \$11.50
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Moses Dorman for cash Elijah Pope for damage sustained on account of the condition of the road near Emery's Gate \$2.00
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Peter Pearl for returning six Deaths to the Town Clerk .60
- Voted To allow a bill of Charge presented by W^m A. Howe for returning seven Deaths to the Town Clerk .70
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Daniel F. Harriman for Journey to Salem to pay County Tax \$1.50

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- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by John Peabody
for service as Auditor \$ 3,00
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by George Pearl
for services as Selectman Assessor & Overseer of the
Poor \$ 25,75
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by John Peabody
for service as Constable \$ 6,50
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm E. Killam
for service as Town Clerk and Incidental
expenses \$ 20,35
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Benjⁿ Woodbury
for service as constable \$ 4,00
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm R. Cole
for service as Selectmen, Assessor and Overseer of
the Poor \$ 33,50
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Moses Kimball
for service as Committee on school funds two years
\$ 6,00
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm E. Killam
for service as Treasurer & Incidental expenses \$ 10,75
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm E. Killam
For school Books furnished John Brown 1855.
66

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by J. E. Foster and Richard Spofford for repairing Bridge and furnishing material near the house of Richard Spofford \$2,00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Joseph H. Jones For labor on Bridge near the house of S. Peabody \$1,87½

Voted To allow the following bills for ~~pathing~~ Snow

| | |
|---|---------|
| " To Joseph H. Jones Surveyor of Highways | \$18,75 |
| " Moses Dorman " " " | 5,94 |
| " Thomas S. Hovey " " " | 22,66 |
| " Amos Sterens " " " | 30,92 |
| " John Peabody " " " | 27,62 |
| " George W. Chadwick " " " | 21,86 |
| " Amos Berry " " " | 11,06½ |
| " J. E. Foster " " " | 26,78 |
| " Oliver P. Killam " " " | 31,74 |
| " Charles A. Spofford " " " | 16,09 |
| " Thomas B. Parker " " " | 16,81 |
| " Valorous V. Moulton " " " | 25,50 |
| " Charles O. Foster " " " | 30,70 |

Voted To take up the third article in the Warrant

| | | |
|-------|------------------------|--------------------|
| Chose | Rev. William S. Coggin | } School Committee |
| | " Calvin E. Park | |
| | John F. Kimball | |

Voted That the Surveyors of Highways when the roads are incumbered with snow be directed to break them out eight feet wide and that twelve and a half cents per hour be allowed for a

1857 man, and twelve and a half cents per hour for a Yoke of oxen while employed under the direction of a Surveyor of Highways and that all bills be presented to the Town for allowance by said Surveyors

Voted To raise seven hundred dollars for the support of schools the current year

Voted That two hundred dollars be added to the above vote for the support of schools

Voted That all money raised and appropriated for the use of schools the current year be divided equally among the seven school districts

Voted To abate the following Taxes in Collector Wm. E. Killam's list of 1855 & 1856

| | |
|--|------|
| Joshua B. Brown in list of 1855 | 2,43 |
| James Bently " " " " | 1,77 |
| Samuel Shepard Highway deficiency 1855 | .66 |
| Thomas J. Mead in list of 1856 | 2,52 |
| Alfred Kelso " " " " | 7,06 |

Voted To abate one half the tax on real estate set to Henry Barker, - one half the tax on real estate set to Seth Burnham, - one half the tax on real estate set to Rebecca F. Robinson - and one third of the tax on real estate set to the Heirs of Jonathan Andrew, and Isaac W. Andrew, - all in Collector Daniel F. Harriman's list of 1856

- Voted To raise eight hundred dollars for repairing the Highways and Bridges the current year
- Voted To allow a man while working on the Highways twelve and a half cents per hour; for a yoke of oxen twelve and a half cents, - for a Horse & cart twelve and a half cents, for an ox shovel twelve and a half cents, for a Plough twelve and a half cents, and for an ox cart five cents per hour while used on said Highway
- Voted To raise the sum of two thousand dollars to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the Town the current year
- Voted To let out the collecting of the Taxes the current year to the lowest bidder in two lists
- The South list was bid off by Wm E. Killam at one and one eighth per cent.
- The North list was bid off by Wm H. Wood at one per cent
- Voted To take up the second article in the Warrant
- Chose Wm E. Killam Collector of Taxes for the South district
 Wm H. Wood " " " " " North "
- Chose Wm H. Wood } Treasurer

1857

Voted That the Taxes be committed to the Collectors within three days of the first day of September next

Voted That the town authorize the Collectors to collect one half of all Taxes on or before the first day of October next, and the other half (at their pleasure) on or before the first day of December next

Voted To accept the following list of names for Jurors

| | |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| Isaac W. Andren | Ancill Dorman |
| Samuel Bixby | Wm H. Herrick |
| Daniel Bixby | Daniel F. Harriman |
| Benjamin S. Barnes | Charles F. Kimball |
| Wm N. Cleaveland | John F. Kimball |
| David M. Cole | George F. Pearl |
| John K. Cole | Thomas Sawyer |
| Samuel B. Carlton | Enoch Wood |

Voted That the Selectmen be a committee to collect the amount of one hundred and ten dollars and fifty cents, of the Inhabitants and land set off from Bofford to Groveland, agreeably to the provisions of an act to set off a part of the Town of Bofford and annex the same to the Town of Groveland, Approved March 21, 1856

Voted To pass over the 20th Article in the Warrant

Voted That the Overseers of the Poor be authorized to sell as much wood on the Town farm as they may think proper, and in such manner as they may think best

Voted To take up the third article in the Warrant

Wm R. Cole declined serving as one of the school Committee.

Chose John F. Kimball one of the school Committee instead of Wm R. Cole declined

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

William H. Wood } Town Clerk.

1857

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bedford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, qualified by the Constitution to vote for Senators and Representatives to the General Court of said Commonwealth, holden in the Vestry in the second Parish in said Bedford on Friday the first day of May A.D. 1857, being the first Friday in said month, for the purpose of giving in their votes by ballot, for or against three proposed articles of Amendments to the Constitution of the State of Massachusetts.

The whole number of persons who gave in their votes was ascertained as by law directed and the whole number of ballots was forty three and the whole number of votes were received, sorted, counted and record and declaration thereof made in open Town meeting as by law directed and were as follows

| | | |
|----------------|-----|-----------|
| Article First | Yes | Forty one |
| " " | No | Two |
| Article Second | Yes | Forty one |
| " " | No | Two |
| Article Third | Yes | Forty |
| " " | No | Three |

Voted To dissolve the meeting

William H. Wood } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified by the Constitution, to vote for Representatives to the General Court of said Commonwealth, holden in the Vestry in the second Parish in said Bofford, on Tuesday the third day of November A.D. 1857, being the first Tuesday in said month, for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen - for a Governor, and a Lieutenant Governor of this Commonwealth. - for one Senator for the third district in the County of Essex. for one Councillor for Council District No. 2. for Secretary of State, for Treasurer and Receiver General of this Commonwealth, for Attorney General, for Auditor of Accounts, and for one Representative to the General Court, for North Andover District No. 20. all on one Ballot. Also at the same time on a Separate ballot for one County Commissioner and for a Register of Probate for the County of Essex.

At the expiration of two hours from the opening of the Polls, the Town Voted to close the Polls.

The whole number of persons who gave in their votes was ascertained as by law directed, and the whole number of ballots was

and the whole number of votes were received, sorted, counted and record and declaration thereof made in open Town meeting as by law directed and were as follows. -

For Governor

| | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Whole number of ballots | eighty seven |
| Henry J. Gardner of Boston | Fifty nine |
| Nathaniel P. Banks of Waltham | Twenty five |
| Erasmus D. Beach of Springfield | Three |

For Lieutenant Governor

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| The whole number of Ballots | Eighty eight |
| Alexander De Witt of Oxford | Fifty nine |
| Eliphalet Trask of Springfield | Twenty Six |
| Albert Courier of Newburyport | Three |

For Secretary of State

Whole number of ballots Ninety
 Benjamin L. Allen of Boston Fifty nine
 Oliver Warner of Northampton Twenty eight
 Jonathan E. Field of Stockbridge Three

For Treasurer and Receiver General

Whole number of ballots Ninety
 Timothy Ingraham of New Bedford Fifty eight
 Moses Tenney Jr. of Georgetown Twenty nine
 Charles Thompson of Charlestown Three

For Auditor of Accounts

Whole number of Ballots Ninety
 Chandler R. Ransom of Roxbury Fifty nine
 Charles White of Worcester Twenty seven
 Seymour L. Meade of Nantucket Three

For Attorney General

Whole number of ballots Ninety
 John H. Clifford of New Bedford Sixty one
 Stephen H. Phillips of Salem Twenty six
 Ezra Wilkinson of Dedham Three

For Councillor for District No. 2

Whole number of ballots Ninety
 Daniel P. Pike, of Newburyport Fifty nine
 George Cogswell of Bradford Twenty eight
 William Vutting Jr. of Marblehead Three

For Senator for Essex District No. 3

Whole number of ballots Eighty nine
 John Gale of Lawrence Fifty nine
 J. F. Ingalls of Methuen Twenty seven
 E. J. M. Hale of Haverhill Three

For Representative to General Court for North Andover District No. 20.

Whole number of ballots Eighty five
 Enoch Wood of Boxford Fifty seven
 Ancill Dorman of Boxford Twenty eight

For County Commissioner for the County of Essex

Whole number of Ballots Eighty five
 George Wilson of Marblehead Sixty
 James Kimball of Salem Twenty five
 Alfred Kittredge of Haverhill

For Register of Probate for Essex County

Whole number of ballots Eighty seven
 James Roper of Salem Sixty seven
 E. A. Ingalls of Lynn
 Charles H. Hudson of Newburyport Twenty

Voted To dissolve the Meeting.

William H. Wood } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the qualified Voters of the Town of Bedford held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town on Tuesday the third day of November A.D. 1857

Chose John Peabody } Moderator

Voted To allow the following bills for plathing Snow

| | | | |
|----|--------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| To | George B. Killam | Surveyor of Highways | - \$30.35 |
| " | Joshua T. Day | " " " | 19.68 |
| " | John L. Killam | " " " | 19.37 |
| " | Jonathan Pearson | " " " | 26.87 |
| " | Sybrester Cummings | " " " | 23.78 |
| " | Henry James | " " " | 21.90 |

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by William R. Cole for services as one of the School Committee \$54.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Samuel Perley for service as Committee on funds \$ 3.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Samuel Andrews for two years service as committee on funds \$6.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Samuel Perley for building passways to his land near rock brook and to a pasture not described \$ 20.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by John Peabody for notifying Town Officers \$ 2.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Jonathan Pearson
for railing & repairing bridges and repairing Highway \$5.30

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Ephraim F. Cole
for services as committee on roads in 1856 \$2.00

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

William H. Wood } Town Clerk

1858

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified by the Constitution to vote for Senators and Representatives to the General Court of said Commonwealth, holden in the Vestry in the second Parish in said Bofford on Thursday the eighth day of January A. D. 1858, being the first Thursday in said month for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen by ballot for one Representative to represent them in the Congress of the United States of America for the remainder of the term of two years, from the fourth day of March 1857

At the expiration of two hours from the opening of the Polls the Town voted that the Polls be closed

The whole number persons who gave in their votes was ascertained as by law directed, and the whole number of ballots was Thirty one and the whole number of votes were received, sorted, counted, and record and declaration thereof made in open Town Meeting as by law directed and were as follows.

For Representative to Congress District No. Seven.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|------------|----|
| Whole number of ballots | Thirty one | |
| Daniel W. Gook of Melrose | Twenty Six | 26 |
| George Osborne of South Danvers | Five | 5 |

Voted That that this meeting be dissolved

Wm H. Wood } Town Clerk

1858

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Botford duly qualified to vote for town officers and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said Town on Monday the first day of March A.D. 1858

| | | |
|-------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Chose | Moses Dorman | } Moderator |
| Chose | Wm & Killam | } Town Clerk |
| Chose | Wm & Killam | } Selectmen |
| " | John F. Kimball | |
| " | William R. Cole | |
| Chose | John Peabody | } Constables |
| " | Samuel Morse | |
| Chose | William A. Howe | } Tythingmen |
| " | Amos Sterens | |
| " | Samuel B. Carleton | |
| " | William R. Cole | |
| Chose | Moses Dorman | } Field Drivers |
| " | Joseph H. James | |
| " | William H. Munday | |
| " | Walter French | |
| " | William R. Wilkins | |
| " | Joseph N. Pope | |
| " | John Hale, Jr | |
| " | Joseph K. Farley | |
| " | William R. Kimball | |
| " | Charles O. Foster | |
| " | Thomas L. Spofford | |
| " | Valorus V. Moulton | |
| " | Harrison O. Ross | |

1858

Chose

Amos Berry

"

Ancill Dorman

"

Dean Andrews

"

William R Kimball

"

John Day, jr

"

John F. Kimball

Fence Viewers

Chose

Samuel Goodale

"

George Perley

"

Samuel Fowler

"

John James

"

Nathaniel Smith

"

George Stetson

"

Edward G Batchelder

"

Leander Perley

"

William Sawyer

"

John F Kimball

"

John Blodgett

"

Robert B Anderson

"

Elijah Stiles

"

Samuel Bixby

"

George W. Chadwick

"

John Gould

"

John Sawyer

"

Benjamin Woodbury

"

Thomas B. Parker

"

Amos. Sterens

Surveyors
of
Highways

Chose

Daniel Andrews

"

Augustus Hayward

"

William Lowe

"

Jonathan J Porter

"

Orrille L Hovey

"

John Pearl

"

Samuel Kimball

"

Joshua T Dwy

Surveyors
of
Lumber

1858

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|-------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Chose | Daniel F Harriman | } Surveyors of Lumber |
| " | John Day. jr | |
| " | John Hale jr | |
| " | Samuel N Ayers | |

| | | |
|-------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| Chose | John Hale jr | } Measurers of Wood and Bark |
| " | Samuel Bixby | |
| " | William R Kimball | |
| " | George F Pearl | |
| " | Jefferson Kimball | |
| " | Olivier P Killam | |
| " | William Lowe | |
| " | George Pearl | |

| | | |
|-------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Chose | John Hale | } Sealers of Leather |
| " | Nathan K Fowler | |

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|-------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Chose | Orville L Hovey | } Pound Keepers |
| " | John Averill | |

Voted To choose a School Committ of three persons

| | | |
|-------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Chose | John F. Kimball to Stand three years | } School Committe |
| " | William E Killam to Stand two years | |
| " | William R Cole to Stand one year | |

Voted To allow each School District to chose their own Prudential Committe

Voted To grant the Prudential Committe the privilege of hiring their own Teachers

1858

Voted To allow each School District to divide their proportion of the School money as they think proper for Summer and Winter terms of School

Voted To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards

Voted To accept the Report of the Committee appointed by the Town to take the care and management of the Estate devised to the Town by the Hon Aaron Wood Esqr. Also the Towns proportion of the Surplus Revenue

Voted To accept the Report of the School Committee

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by William H. Wood for services as Town Clerk the past year and incidental expenses \$30.32

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by William H. Wood for services as Treasurer &c the past year \$7.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by William R. Cole for services as one of the School Committee the past year \$18.75

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by W^m C. Killam for services as one of the School Committee the past year \$14.75

1858

- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by John F. Kimball for services as Chairman of the School Committee the past year \$44.35
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by John F. Kimball for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year including journey to Salem & Newburyport and cash paid for postage Stationery &c \$64.50
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by John F. Kimball for services in defending suit commenced against him about the Chadwick house \$40.00
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm E. Killam for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the poor and cash paid for printing the past year \$27.10
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm H. Herrick for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the poor the past year including journey to Haverhill Groveland and Andover \$31.10
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by William A Howe for notifying two Town meetings 2.00
to returning thirteen death 1.30
\$ 3.30
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Joseph Carleton for returning ten deaths to the Town Clerk \$1.00

1858

- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Samuel Morse for notifying town officers Representative to General Court and Town meetings \$4.50
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by W^m E Killam for Cash paid J M Stimpson & sgr for advice in regard to Taxes \$3.00
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Moser Kimball for services as one of the Committee on school Funds for the year ending Feb 17, 1858 \$3.00
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Samuel Andrews for services as one of the Committee on school Funds for one year ending Feb 18, 1858 \$3.00
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Samuel Percy for services as one of ^{the} Committee on School funds for the year ending Feb 17, 1858 \$3.00
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Daniel Andrews for Stringers and Plank to repair Bridge near his mill \$8.62
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by William H. Munday (unjust as it may be) for extra work on the highways \$9.99
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Daniel Gould for pathing Snow in winter of 1857 \$3.75

- Voted That John F Kimball be instructed to carry on the suit commenced against him relating to the Chadwick house as far as he thinks best or until the Town shall take some further order on the subject
- Voted That Town Officers for the current year present their bills to the Town for allowance
- Voted That the Surveyors of Highways when the roads are incumbered with snow be directed to break them out eight feet wide and that twelve and a half cents per hour be allowed for a man and twelve and a half cents per hour for a Yoke of oxen while employed under the direction of a Surveyor of Highways, and that all bills be presented to the Town for allowance by said Surveyors
- Voted To raise nine hundred dollars for the support of Schools the current year
- Voted That all school money be divided equally among the seven School Districts
- Voted To raise eight hundred dollars for repairing the Highways and Bridges the current year
- Voted To allow a man while working on the Highway twelve and a half cents per hour, for a yoke of oxen twelve and half cents; for a Horse and cart twelve and a half cents; for an ox shovel

twelve and a half cents; for a Plough twelve and a half cents; and for an ox cart five cents per hour while used on said Highways

Voted To raise the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the Town the current year

Voted That the Taxes be committed to the Collector within three days of the first day of September next and that a discount of three per cent be allowed on all taxes paid into Treasury within thirty days; and two per cent on all paid within sixty days next after the date of the Tax lists; and after the expiration of ninety days all Taxes shall be collected forthwith

Voted To accept the following list of names for jurors

| | |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| Isaac W. Andrew | Jefferson Kimball |
| Daniel B. Isby | Charles F. Kimball |
| William V. Cleveland | Samuel Killam |
| David M. Cole | Charles Perley |
| Ancill Dorman | George F. Pearl |
| George W. Chadwick | Charles A. Spofford |
| Orville L. Hovey | Thomas Sawyer |
| William H. Herrick | Nathan Towne |

Voted That the Committee on the Bacon case bring the same to trial as soon as may be

Voted To abate two dollars and eight cents of the tax set to Jonathan J. Porter in Collector D. F. Harriman's list of 1856

- Voted To pass over the 19th article of the Warrant
- Voted To abate the Tax set to Benjamin Bixby in Collector Killams list of 1856 also the Taxes set to Richard McLaughlin, Charles Welch, A B. Peabody and Nathan A. Strout in Said Killam's list of 1857
- Voted That the Selectmen pay five hundred dollars of the Town debt
- Voted That the Surveyors of Highways be required to carse at least four fifths of the amount of Taxes committed to them, to be worked out on or before the first day of July following, and that they be required to present their Tax lists to the Selectmen for inspection at that time; and that the remaining fifth part be worked out on or before the first day of October following
- Voted To accept the report of the Overseers of the Poor
- Voted To take up the 22^d article of the Warrant
- Chose William E Killam } Treasurer & Collector
- Voted To allow the Treasurer and Collector forty dollars for services the current year
- Voted That the School Committee be instructed to print and circulate their report
- Voted To dissolve this meeting

Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford duly qualified to vote in town affairs held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said Bofford on Tuesday the second day of November A. D. 1858

Chose William R Cole Moderator

Voted To accept of the doings of the Selectme relative to the widening of the road petitioned for by B S Barnes and others, provided the owners of the land will accept of the damages awarded by the Selectmen which was as follows,

The following are the minutes of the widening of the road leading from the corner near the house of Amos Stevens by the house of Benjamin S Barnes as laid out by the Selectmen Oct 27th 1858 Beginning at a Stake by the wall in front of Said Barnes's house on the South side of the road and running South 61 degrees and 45 minutes West three rods and twenty links in land of Said Barnes to a Stake thence South 58 degrees & 30 minutes west 5 rods and 2 links to a Stake, thence South 56 degrees West 6 rods and 13 links to a Stake thence South 53 degrees west 11 rods and 6 links to the wall between land of said Barnes and John Hale Thence through land of said Hale South 52 degrees west 41 rods and 9 links to a stake by the fence near the house of Amos Stevens thence in same course about one rod through land of Said Barnes to the road, laying the road about three rods wide

This proposed alteration requires Mr Barnes to move 26 rods and 16 links of his wall and takes from him thirty square rods of land and the subscribers have awarded him twenty dollars for damage It also requires Mr Hale to move 41 rods and nine links of his wall and takes

from him 48 square rods of land, and we have awarded him twenty eight dollars as damage

Boxford Oct 27th 1858 Wm E Killam } Selectmen
 John F. Kimball } of
 Wm R Cole } Boxford

Voted

To dissolve the meeting

Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Botford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified, as by the Constitution required to vote for Civil Officers holden in the Vestry in the First Parish in said Botford on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November being the second day of said month in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight, for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen - for a Governor and Lieutenant Governor of this Commonwealth for Secretary of State for Treasurer for Attorney General for one Councillor for Councill District No 2 for Auditor of accounts for one Senator for the third District in the County of Essex for one Representative to the next General Court for North Andover Dis - No 20 for Representative in 36th Congress of U S of America for a Register of Probate and Insolvency for the County of Essex for a Register of Deeds for a County Treasurer and for one Commissioner for the County of Essex all on one ballot

Voted

At the expiration of two hours from the opening of the polls to close the Poll

The whole number of ballots given in was ninety seven

The said ballots were sorted, counted and recorded and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution is directed; and were for the following persons, viz.

For Governor

Whole number of ballots Ninety five
Nathaniel P Banks of Waltham sixty four
Amos A Lawrence of Brookline twenty three
Erasmus D Beach of Springfield eight

For Lieutenant Governor

Whole number of ballots ninety five
 Eliphalet Trask of Springfield sixty four
 Increase Sumner of Great Barrington twenty three
 Charles Thompson of Charlestown eight

For Secretary

Whole number of ballots ninety five
 Oliver Warner of Northampton Sixty four
 Benjamin L. Allen of Boston twenty three
 John M. Cole of Williamstown eight

For Treasurer

Whole number of ballots ninety five
 Moses Tenney jr of Georgetown Sixty four
 Alvan S. Underwood of Milford twenty three
 Silas Pierce of Boston eight

For Councillor for Dis - No 2

Whole number of ballots ninety six
 George Coggs well of Bradford sixty five
 Frederick J. Coffin of Newburyport twenty three
 William Nutting jr of Marblehead eight

For Attorney General

Whole number of ballots ninety seven
 Stephen H. Phillips of Salem sixty six
 Andrew A. Richmond of Adams twenty three
 Ezra Wilkenson of Dedham eight

For Senator for the third Dis in the Co of Essex

Whole number of ballots ninety four
 George L. Davis of North Andover eighty four
 Elisha C. Baker of Medford & Elend Bailey of Haverhill one
 Charles A. Welch of Waltham John Gale of Lawrence one
 E. J. M. Hale of Haverhill eight

For Auditor of accounts

Whole number of ballots ninety six
 Charles White of Worcester sixty five
 Chandler R Ranson of Roxbury twenty three
 Seymour L Mead of Nantucket eight

For Representative to General Court for N Andover Dis No 20

Whole number of ballots ninety six
 Samuel Raymond of North Andover sixty three
 John C Sage of North Andover thirty three

For Representative in 36th Congress of U.S. of America

Whole number of ballots ninety seven
 Daniel W Gooch of Melrose sixty six
 Elinor C Baker of Medford twenty three
 Charles A Welch of Waltham eight

For Register of Probate and Insolvency for Essex County

Whole number of ballots Seventy three
 Abner C Goodell of Lynn sixty five
 E A Ingalls of Lynn eight

For Register of Deeds

Whole Number of ballots seventy three
 Ephraim Brown of Salem seventy three

For Treasurer for Essex County

Whole number of ballots Seventy three
 Allen W Dodge of Hamilton Seventy three

For Commissioner for the County of Essex

Whole number of ballots ninety six
 Ebenezer B Currier of Lawrence sixty six
 Dean Robinson of West Newbury thirty three

W^m E Killam } Town Clerk

1859

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town
of Bofford duly qualified to vote for town Officers
and in town affairs held in the vestry in the Second
Parish in said Town on Monday the seventh day
of March A.D. 1859

Chose Joshua T Day } Moderator

Chose Wm R Cole } Town Clerk

Chose William R. Cole } Selectmen Assessors
William E. Killam } and
Benj. S. Barnes } Overseers of Poor

Chose William A. Howe }
Samuel Morse } Constables
Daniel W. Conant }

Chose William E. Killam }
Benj. S. Barnes }
John Hale jr. } Tythingmen
Jefferson Kimball }
Wm A. Howe }
Phineas W. Barnes }
Franklin Jaques }
Jon'a. J. Porter }

Chose David M. Cole }
Moses Dorman }
Joseph H. Janes } Field Drivers
Jefferson Kimball }
Wm R. Kimball }
Jon'a. J. Porter }
John Hale jr. }

1859

Chose

Joseph N. Pope
Amos Berry
Orville L. Hovey

} Field Drivers

Chose

William Lowe
Thomas Sawyer
Ephraim F. Cole
Thomas S. Hovey
William A. Howe
Moses Kimball

} Fence Viewers

Chose

Wm N. Cleaveland
John Averill
Isaac Adams
Henry Jones
Dean Andrews
Richard Spofford
Albert Perley
Daniel Andrews
Joseph K. Farley
Ephraim F. Cole
Charles Pearl
Samuel Morse
George Pearl
Francis Marden
Charles Perley
Joseph B. Fisk
John L. Killam
Isaac W. Andrew
Daniel F. Harriman
Daniel W. Conant

Surveyors
of

Highways

Chose

Daniel Andrews

Wm Lowe

Augustus Hayward

Samuel Bixby

John Pearl

Jon'a. J. Porter

Dean Andrews

Samuel N. Ayers

Samuel Kimball

Orville L. Hovey

Joshua T. Day

Daniel F. Harriman

Surveyors
of
Lumber

Chose

Samuel N. Ayers

George F. Pearl

Jon' a. E. Foster

Franklin Laque

John Hale jr.

William R. Kimball

George Perley

Richard Spofford

Measurers
of
Wood & Bark

Chose

John Hale jr.

Nathan K. Fowler

{ Sealers of
Leather

Chose

William A. Howe

x Orville L. Hovey

Aaron L. Parker

Pound

Keepers

Voted

To Choose three Auditors

Chose

Joshua T. Day

Richard Spofford

Ancill Dorman

Auditors

x Excused

1859

Voted To choose a School Committee Man

Chose S. H. De Berville School Committee

Voted To accept the report of the Committee Chosen to take the care and management of the Estate Devised To the Town by the Honorable Aaron Wood Esq. and also the Town's proportion of the Surplus Revenue

Voted To accept the report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards

Voted To allow the following Bills of Charge viz.

A bill Presented by John F. Kimball for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year \$ 38

One by John F. Kimball for services as Chairman of school Committee the past year \$ 36.50

One by W^m E. Killam for services as Selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year including Journey to N. Port Dedham &c \$ 45.31

One by W^m E. Killam for services as one of the School Committee the past year \$ 17.23

One by W^m R. Cole for services as one of Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year \$ 24.50

Voted to allow

A bill presented by W^m R. Cole for services as one of the School Committee the past year \$15,50

One by John F. Kimball for services in defending Assessors and Collector of Taxes for the year 1857 in suit commenced against them by Nathan K. Fowler \$5,50

One by Samuel Morse for Notifying Town Officers to take Oath and notifying Town Meetings the past year \$3,00

One by John Peabody for notifying Town Officers to take the Oath and for notifying Town Meetings the past year \$3,50

One by Samuel Perley for services as one of the Committee on Town funds the past year \$3,00

One by Samuel Andrews for services as one of Committee on Town funds the past year \$3,00

One by Moses Kimball for services as one of Committee on Town funds the past year \$3,00

One by W^m E. Killam for services as Town Clerk the past year, Moving Safe &c. \$20,28

One by W^m A. Howe for returning 7 deaths .70

One by John Sawyer for Plank To repair Bridge near the house of John K. Cole \$7,98

1859

Voted to allow A Bill Presented by Leander Perley for Planking
a Bridge \$3,00 and for Pathing snow \$2,00
\$5,00

Voted To allow a bill Presented by Robert B. Anderson
for Extra labor on Highways \$12,30 and for
Pathing snow \$3,25
\$15,55

Voted To allow a bill Presented by Sammel Morse
for killing a Dog \$,50

Voted To allow the following bills for Pathing snow
\$2,06

Isaac Adams 1,50
John Sawyer 5,75
Elijah Stiles 1,50
Charles A. Spofford 4,25
Sammel Bixby 4,87
George W. Chadwick 4,56
Amos Sterens 1,50
Aaron Spofford
William Sawyer 6,00
George Perley 3,36
Sammel Goodale 2,27
John F. Kimball 3,38
George Stetson 5,01
Benj. Woodbury 4,99½
Sammel B. Carleton 1,87½
Joshua T. Day 4,62
Edward G. Batchelder 4,52

Voted To pass over the 9th article of the warrant

- Voted That Surveyors of Highways when the roads are encumbered with snow be directed to break them out eight feet wide, and that twelve and a half cents per. hour be allowed for a man and twelve and a half cents per. hour be allowed for a Yoke of Oxen while Employed under the direction of a Surveyor and that all bills for such service be presented to the Town for allowance by said Surveyors
- Voted To allow the Prudential Committee of Each school District to contract with the Teachers for said Districts
- Voted To allow the several school Districts to divide their proportion of the school Money as they may think proper for the support of the summer and winter terms of school
- Voted To raise nine hundred dollars for the support of Schools the current year
- Voted That all the school money be appropriated Equally among the several school Districts
- Voted To raise Eight hundred dollars for repairing the Highways and Bridges the current year and to allow a man while working on the Highways twelve and a half cents per. hour for a Yoke of oxen twelve & a half cents for a horse and horse cart twelve and a half cents, for an ox shovel twelve and a half cents for a Plough twelve and a half cents and for an Ox cart five cents per. hour while used on said Highways

1859

Voted To raise fifteen hundred dollars to defray the necessary Expenses of the Town the current year

Voted That the Taxes be committed to the Collector within three days of the first day of Sept. next and that a discount of three per. cent be allowed on all Taxes paid into the Treasury within thirty days, and two per. cent on all paid within sixty days next after the date of the Tax lists,

and after the Expiration of ninety days all Taxes shall be collected forthwith

Voted To accept the following list of names for jurors

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|----------------------|---------------------|
| Isaac W. Andrew | Jefferson Kimball |
| Daniel W. Conant | Charles F. Kimball |
| William N. Cleardand | Samuel Killam |
| David M. Cole | Charles Perley |
| Ancill Lorman | George F. Pearl |
| George W. Chadwick | Charles A. Spofford |
| Orville L. Hovey | Thomas Sawyer |
| John Hale | Peter Strout |

Voted To pass over the 16th article

Voted That the collector be instructed to collect the Tax set to W^m Munday

Voted That the disposal of Wood on the Town farm be left discretionary with the Overseers of the Poor

Voted That the Treasurer be instructed to pay seven hundred dollars of the Town debt

Voted To accept the report of the Overseers of the Poor

- Voted That the Town meetings be held in the West Parish this year and in the East Parish Next year on the most favorable terms that may be.
- Voted To reconsider the vote whereby the Collector was instructed to collect the Tax set to W^m Munday
- Voted That the taxes set to W^m Munday be abated
- Voted To pass over the 22nd article
- Voted To take up the 2^d article
- Chose W^m E. Killam Treasurer and Collector
- Voted To take up the 9th article
- Voted That the Treasurer and Collector allowed forty dollars for his services the current year
- Voted To Excuse Franklin Jagues from serving as measurer of Wood & Bark
- Voted To dissolve this meeting

William R. Cole } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, qualified by the Constitution to vote for Senators and Representatives to the General Court of said commonwealth holden in the Vestry in the ^{second} Parish in said Boxford on Monday the ninth day of May A.D. 1859 for the purpose of bringing in their votes by ballot for or against the Proposed Article of amendment to the Constitution of the State of Massachusetts

The whole number of persons who gave in their votes was ascertained as by law directed and the whole number of ballots was twenty four, and and the whole number of votes were received sorted counted and declaration thereof made in open town meeting as by law directed in open Town Meeting as by law directed and were as follows

Amendment to the Constitution Yes twenty one

Amendment to the Constitution No three

Voted to dissolve the meeting

William R. Cole } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town
of Bofford qualified to vote in Elections and in
Town affairs holden in the Vestry in the 2nd
Parish in Bofford on Monday the ninth day of
May A.D. 1859

Chose Richard Spofford Moderator

Chose Joshua T. Day Surveyor of Highways

Voted To choose a committee of two persons to cause
Fish Brook Bridge to be repaired

Chose John K. Cole Samuel Bixby Committee

Voted To dissolve this Meeting

William R. Cole } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bedford qualified to vote in Elections and in Town affairs holden in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said Town on Wednesday the fourteenth day of Sept. A.D. 1859

Chose William R. Kimball Moderator

Voted That there be a Committee of two persons chosen by ballot to cause the road petitioned for by Wm N. Cleaveland & others to be worked agreeably to the orders of the County Commissioners.

Chose William N. Cleaveland & Dean Andrews
Committee for said purpose

Voted That the Committee be instructed to let out the working of the road to the best possible advantage to the Town, forth-with

Voted To dissolve this meeting

William R. Cole Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified as by the Constitution to vote for Civil Officers holden in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said Boxford on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November being the Eighth day of said month in the year one thousand Eight hundred and Fifty nine for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen for a Governor and Lieutenant Governor of this Commonwealth - for one Senator for the third district in the County of Essex, one Counsellor for Council District No. 2., for a Secretary of State, for a Treasurer of this Commonwealth for Attorney General, for Auditor of accounts for Commissioners of Insolvency, for one County Commissioner and two special Commissioners for the County of Essex, for a Representative to the General Court for North Andover District No. 20, for District Attorney and for Sheriff of the County all on one ballot.

Voted

At the Expiration of two hours from the opening of the Polls that the Polls be closed

The whole number of ballots given in was one hundred & two

The said ballots were sorted counted and recorded and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution is directed and were for the following Persons viz.

For Governor

Whole number of Ballots Ninety nine
 Nathaniel P. Banks of Waltham Sixty
 Benjamin F. Butler of Lowell Nineteen
 George W. Briggs of Pittsfield Twenty

For Lieutenant Governor One hundred & one
 Eliphalet Trask of Springfield Sixty one
 S. C. Bemis of Springfield Nineteen
 Increase Sumner of Great Barrington Twenty one

For Secretary of State One hundred & two
 Oliver Warner of Northampton Sixty two
 Samuel W. Bowerman of Adams Nineteen
 Benjamin L. Allen of Boston Twenty one

For State Treasurer One hundred & two
 Moses Tenney of Georgetown Sixty two
 George Dennett of Boston Nineteen
 Charles Kimball of Ipswich Twenty one

For Auditor of Accounts One hundred & two
 Charles White of Worcester Sixty two
 James E. Easterbrook of Worcester Nineteen
 James W. Sever of Boston Twenty one

For Attorney General One hundred two
 Stephen H. Phillips of Salem Sixty two
 David H. Mason of Newton Nineteen
 Henry Morris of Springfield Twenty one

For Senator 3^d Essex district Eighty nine
 George L. Davis of North Andover Sixty two
 S. C. Nash of Lawrence Nineteen
 Enoch Wood of Boxford Eight

For Representative to General Court 20 District
 one hundred & one
 Stephen L. B. Speare of Bradford fifty five
 Warren Ordway of Bradford Forty six

For Councillor Second District Ninety nine
 John S. Baker of Beverly Eighty
 William Nutting jr. of Marblehead Nineteen

For Sheriff Ninety five
 James Cary of Lawrence seventy seven
 Charles Peabody of Newburyport Eighteen

For District Attorney Eighty one
 Alfred A. Abbott of South Danvers Sixty two
 Edward K. Phillips of Lynn Nineteen

For County Commissioner Ninety four
 Abram D. Waitt of Ipswich Sixty nine
 Dean Robinson of West Newbury Twenty five

For Special Commissioners Eighty one
 Rufus Kimball of Lynn Sixty two
 O. H. P. Sargent of Essex Sixty two
 A. L. Kimball of Haverhill Nineteen
 John Choate of Essex Nineteen

Ninety-nine
 For Commissioners of Insolvency,
 Perley S. Chase of Lawrence Eighty-one
 Chas. C. Dame of Newburyport Seventy eight
 Wm L. Choate of Salem Sixty two
 Addison Gott of Rockport Thirty nine
 J. P. Jones of Georgetown Eighteen
 Paul D. Patch of Hamilton Nineteen

Voted That this meeting be dissolved

William R. Cole Town Clerk

1860

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford duly qualified to vote for Town officers and in Town affairs held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said Town on Monday the fifth day of March A.D. 1860

Chose Moses Dorman Esqr } Moderator

Chose William E Killam } Town Clerk

Chose William E. Killam } Selectmen, Assessors
William R Cole } and
Joshua T Day } Overseers of Poor

Chose John Peabody } Constables
Samuel Morse }

Chose Daniel Russell } Tythingmen
A. Kimball Perley }

Chose Moses Dorman
Richard F Gurley
Henry Jones
John Jones
Amos Berry
John Gould jr
Orville L Hovey
William Lowe
George S Cole
William R Kimball
Samuel B Carleton
Richard S profford } Field Drivers

1860

Chose

| | | |
|-----------------|---|---------------|
| Thomas Sawyer | } | Fence Viewers |
| Ancill Dorman | | |
| Francis Marden | | |
| Orville L Hovey | | |
| George F Pearl | | |
| Nelson Bodwell | | |

Chose

| | | |
|---------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Eben S Baldwin | } | Surveyors of Highways |
| Nathan K Fowler | | |
| Samuel Andrews | | |
| J & Day | | |
| Benjamin F. Peabody | | |
| George W Chadwick | | |
| John K Cole | | |
| Daniel F Harriman | | |
| Daniel T Gould | | |
| Samuel Perley | | |
| William Lowe | | |
| Charles F Kimball | | |
| William J Savage | | |
| William H Bererly | | |
| Moses Kimball | | |
| Thomas S Hovey | | |
| Israel Herrick | | |
| John V Robinson | | |
| Benjamin S Barnes | | |
| Thomas Sawyer | | |

Chose

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|-------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Joshua T Day | } | Surveyors of Lumber |
| John Pearl | | |
| George S Cole | | |
| Daniel Andrews | | |
| Orville L Hovey | | |
| Augustus Hayward | | |
| Jonathan J Porter | | |
| Dean Andrews | | |

1860

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| Chose | Francis C Whittier | } | Surveyors of Lumber |
| | William Lowe | | |
| | Samuel N Ayers | | |
| | Samuel Bixby | | |
| | Samuel Kimball | | |
| Chose | Jonathan J Porter | } | Measurers of Wood & Bark |
| | George F Pearl | | |
| | Samuel Bixby | | |
| | John Hale jr | | |
| | John T Wood | | |
| | Isaac Hale | | |
| Chose | John Hale | } | Sealers of Leather |
| | Orville L Hovey | | |
| Chose | John Averill | } | Pound Keepers |
| | Aaron L Parker | | |
| Chose | Ancill Dorman | } | Auditors |
| | Richard Spofford | | |
| Chose | William E Killam (declined serving) | } | School Committee |
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Voted To allow the several School Districts to divide their proportion of the school money as they may think proper for the support of the summer and winter terms of School

Voted To all the Several School Districts to choose their Prudential Committee

1860

Voted To accept the report of the Selectmen relative to
Guide Posts and Boards

Voted To accept the report of the Committee appointed
by the Town to take the care and management of
the Estate Devised to the Town by the Hon. Aaron
Wood Esqr. and also the Town's proportion of the
surplus Revenue

Voted To allow the following bills of charge viz.

To Benjamin S Barnes for services as Selectman
and Assessor the past year and for setting posts and
putting up Guide Boards and cash paid out
\$ 23.50

To Benjamin S Barnes for services as one of
Overseers of Poor the past year \$ 13.00

To Wm R Cole for services as one of the Selectmen
Assessors & Overseers of the Poor the past year
and cash paid for Postage & selling Wood &c \$ 52.00

To William R Cole To services as Town Clerk
the past year & cash paid for Postage
\$ 28.00

To Benjamin S Barnes for services in lotting of
and selling wood on Town Farm and advertising
same \$ 10.25

this bill
should have
been inserted
above mistake
- copying
J. W. P.
J. B.

1860

To William R Cole for furnishing and setting
three Guide Posts and putting up Guide Boards
\$ 3.50

To W^m E Killam for services as one of Selectmen
Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year & cc
\$ 45.95

To John F Kimball for services as one of School
Committee the past year and cash paid for Portage &c
\$ 42.75

To William E Killam for services as one of
School Committee the past year \$ 15.07

To Moses Kimball for services as one of Committee
on School Funds and cash paid for
recording Deed \$ 3.60

To Samuel Andrews for service as one of the
Committee on School Funds for one year
ending Feb 17th 1860 \$ 3.00

To Samuel Perley for services as one of the
Committee on School Funds the last year \$ 3.00

To Daniel W Conant for notifying two
Town Meetings \$ 2.00

To Daniel W Conant for notifying Town
Officers to take the oath \$ 2.00

1860

To Samuel Morse for services as Constable the past year
\$ 4.00

To William A Howe for moving Standard weights
and measures and notifying town meeting \$ 2.00

To William R Kimball for making return
of eight deaths \$.80

To Joshua T Day for services as Auditor and
Cash paid for printing Report \$ 13.00

To Ancill Dorman for two and one half days
service as Auditor \$ 3.00

To Richard S profford for services as Auditor \$ 3.00

Voted To allow the following bill for Pathing snow viz.

| | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|----------|
| To Joseph B Fisk | \$ | .37 1/2 |
| " Francis Curtis | } for year 1859 | .75 |
| " Thomas Sawyer | | 2.25 |
| " Samuel Morse | | 4.50 |
| " Isaac Adams | | 3.50 |
| " Samuel Perley | | 1.00 |
| " Joseph B Fisk | | 1.50 |
| " Daniel W Bonant | | 2.25 |
| " Francis Curtis | | 1.00 |
| " Joshua T Day | | 2.25 |
| " William N Cleaveland | | 1.50 |
| " George Pearl | | 6.12 1/2 |
| " Samuel Killam | | .50 |

1860

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| To Isaac W Andrew | \$.50 |
| " Isaac W Andrew | 1.50 |
| " Charles Perley | 2.00 |
| " Richard Spofford | 3.50 |
| " Sylvester Cummings | 1.92 |
| " Joseph K Farley | 3.25 |
| " Thomas Sawyer | 1.25 |
| " Daniel F Harriman | 3.77 |
| " Ephraim F Cole | 3.00 |
| " John Gould | .87½ |

Voted To refer a bill presented by Daniel Gould to the Selectmen to do as they think fit

Voted That all bills against the Town, except the Treasurers & Selectmen's for their service, be presented to the Selectmen for allowance previous to the 20th of Feb 1861

Voted That Surveyors of Highways when the roads are encumbered with snow, be directed to break them out eight feet wide, and that twelve and a half cents per hour be allowed for a man, and twelve and a half cents per hour, be allowed for a Yoke of oxen while employed under the direction of a Surveyor of Highways, and that all bill for such service be presented to the Selectmen for allowance previous to the 20th of Feb 1861

Voted To raise nine hundred dollars for the support of schools the current year

1860

Voted To divide the school money equally among the several school Districts

Voted To raise eight hundred dollars for repairing the Highways and Bridges the current year

Voted To allow a man while working on the Highways twelve and a half cent per hour, for a Yoke of oxen twelve and a half cents, for a horse and horse cart twelve and a half cents for an ox shovel twelve and a half cents, for a Plough twelve and a half cents, and for an ox cart five cents per hour while used on said Highways

Voted To raise fifteen hundred dollars to defray the necessary expenses of the Town the current year

Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector within three days of the first day of September next and that a discount of three per cent be allowed on all taxes paid into the Treasury within thirty days, and two per cent on all paid within Sixty days, next after the date of the Tax lists and after the expiration of ninety all Taxes be collected forthwith

Voted That the list of names, prepared by the Selectmen for Jurors be revised by an entire new list of names, by the Selectmen

Voted To abate one dollar and sixty two cents of the Tax set to James M & Horatio Perry of Danvers in Collector Killam's of 1857.

1860

Voted To abate the Taxes set to Joseph Hale jr James Messer and George S Kreeland in Collect Killam list of 1859, and Barney Herrings and George Smith in list of 1858. Also the Highway Deficiencies set to Mchitable Dole. Daniel Harriman Daniel F Harriman, Alongo J Henley Thomas B Parker and Jonathan J Porter in list of 1859.

Voted That the Treasurer be directed to pay five hundred dollars of the Town debt

Voted That the law of 1857 relating to the catching of Pickerel and Trout be enforced for one year

Voted To accept^d the following list of names for Jurors

| | |
|------------------|-------------------------------|
| Samuel N Ayers | Richard S pofford |
| Daniel Gould | Issac Hale |
| John F Kimball | Joseph H James |
| Samuel P Peabody | John Q B at holder |
| John Pearl | John N Towne |
| Peter Pearl | Asa Kimball |
| Thomas B Parker | Benjamin F Peabody |
| William Sawyer | Ephraim F Cole |

Chose William E Killam } Treasurer & Collector

Voted To Dissolve this meeting

Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of
 Bofford in the County of Essex Commonwealth of
 Massachusetts qualified by the Constitution to
 vote for Senators and Representatives to the General
 Court of this Commonwealth, held in the Vestry
 in the first parish in said Bofford on Monday
 the Seventh day of May A.D. 1860 for the purpose of
 giving in their votes by ballot for or against
 two proposed Articles of Amendments to the
 Constitution of this Commonwealth

The whole number of Persons who gave in
 their votes was ascertained as by law directed
 and the whole number of ballots was Thirteen
 and the whole number of votes were received
 sorted counted and record and declaration
 thereof made in open Town meeting as by law
 directed and were as follows

| | |
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| Article First | Yes |
| " " | No Thirteen |
| Article Second | Yes |
| " " | No Thirteen |

Voted To Dissolve the meeting

Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs held in the vestry in the first Parish in Bofford on Tuesday the sixth day of November A.D. 1860

Chose Samuel Perley Moderator

Voted To dispense with reading the warrant the second time

Voted To pass over the second article in the warrant

Voted That the Selectmen be a committee to cause the road petitioned for by John K Cole and others, to be worked agreeably to the orders of the County Commissioners

Voted To excuse W^m R Cole from serving on this Committee by his request

Chose Dean Andrews as one of this Committee

Voted To excuse Joshua T Day from serving on this Committee by his request

Chose John F Kimball as one of this Committee

Voted That the Selectmen be authorized to paint the Almshouse

Voted To Dissolve this meeting

W^m E Killam Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of
 Botford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth
 of Massachusetts qualified according to the Constitution
 to vote for civil officers, holden in the vestry in the First
 Parish in said Botford Nov 6th A.D. 1860 it Being the
 Tuesday next after the first Monday of said month,
 for the purpose of giving in their votes for Electors of
 President and Vice President of the United States, for
 Governor and Lieutenant Governor of this Common-
 wealth, for one Senator for the third District in the
 County of Essex, for one Councillor for council dis-No 2,
 for a Secretary of State, for a Treasurer of this Common-
 wealth, for Attorney General, for Auditor of Accounts,
 for a Representative of this Commonwealth in the
 Congress of the United States, for District number 7,
 for a Representative to the General Court of this
 Commonwealth, for North Andover district No 20,
 and for one County Commissioner for the County
 of Essex all on one ballot

Voted At the expiration of two hours and ten minutes
 from the opening of the Polls that the Polls be Closed.

The whole number of ballots given in was one
 hundred and sixty nine

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted and
 recorded and declaration thereof made as by the Constitu-
 tion directed and were for the following persons viz

For Electors at large (of President & Vice President
 George Morey of Boston One hundred and fourteen
 Reuben A Chapman of Springfield one hundred and ^{fourteen}
 Levi Lincoln of Worcester ^{thirty nine}
 Marshall P Wilder of Dorchester Thirty nine
 Isaac Davis of Worcester four
 Charles Heebner of Lee four
 Chester W Chapin of Springfield seven
 Eben Sutton of South Danvers Seven

For an Elector for District number one
 Alfred Macy of Nantucket one hundred and fourteen
 Joseph Grinnell of New Bedford thirty nine
 Alexander Baxter of Yarmouth four
 S. B. Phinney of Barnstable seven

For an Elector for District number two
 James H. Mitchell of East Bridgewater one hundred and ^{fourteen}
 Benjamin Hobart of Abington thirty nine
 Benjamin S. Chase of Somerset four
 P. W. Leland of Fall River seven

For an Elector for District number three
 John M. Forbes of Milton one hundred and thirteen
 Henry S. Mansfield of Blackstone thirty nine
 H. A. Aldrich of Meriden four
 Roswell Gleason of Dorchester seven

For an Elector for District number four
 Charles B. Hall of Boston one hundred and thirteen
 Sanford M. Hunt of Roxbury thirty nine
 W. J. Reynolds of Roxbury four
 B. F. Hallett of Boston seven

For an Elector for District number five
 Peleg W. Chandler of Boston one hundred and thirteen
 J. Thomas Stevenson of Boston thirty nine
 K. S. Chaffee of Cambridge four
 George W. Parmenter of Boston seven

For an Elector for District number six
 John S. Whittier of Amesbury one hundred and thirteen
 Nathaniel Silsbee of Salem thirty nine
 George Upton of Salem four
 Henry Durant of Lynn
 E. S. Williams of Newburyport seven

For an Elector for District number seven
 Gerry W Cochraine of Methuen one hundred and thirteen
 N & White of Laurence thirty nine
 George W Dike of Stoneham four
 Richard Frothingham Jr of Charlestown seven

For an Elector for District number eight
 John Nesmith of Lowell one hundred and thirteen
 D S Richardson of Lowell thirty nine
 Ambrose Slaper of Natick four
 Peter Haggerty of Lowell seven

For an Elector for District number nine
 Amaser Walker of North Brookfield one hundred and thirteen
 John E. Thurston of Lancaster thirty nine
 Levi Barker of Worcester four
 John Spurr of Charlton

For an Elector for District number ten
 Charles Field of Athol one hundred and thirteen
 Osslyn Baker of Northampton thirty nine
 Stephen C Bemis of Springfield four
 Wells Lothrop of South Hadley

For an Elector for District number eleven
 Charles Mattoon of Greenfield one hundred and thirteen
 William B Bates of Westfield thirty nine
 Phineas Allen of Pittsfield four
 Reuben Noble of Westfield seven

For Representative to Congress for Dis. number seven
 Daniel W Gooch of Melrose one hundred and fourteen
 Charles A Welch of Waltham thirty four
 George Johnson of Bradford sixteen

For Governor of this Commonwealth
 John A. Andrew of Boston one hundred and twelve.
 Amos A Lawrence of Brookline forty
 Erasmus D Beach of Springfield four
 Benjamin F Butler of Lowell Seven

For Lieutenant Governor ^{thirteen}
 John T. Goodrich of Stockbridge one hundred and ^{thirteen}
 George Marston of Barnstable forty
 Charles Thompson of Charlestown four
 David N Carpenter of Greenfield Seven

For Secretary of State
 Oliver Warner of Northampton one hundred and thirteen
 Thomas Parsons of Brookline forty
 Samuel W Bowerman of Pittsfield four
 W W Comstock of Middleboro Seven

For Councillor for council District number two
 John I Baker of Beverly one hundred and twelve
 Benjamin H Corliss of Gloucester thirty one
 William Nutting of Marblehead Seven

For Attorney General
 Dwight Foster of Worcester one hundred and thirteen
 Henry Morris of Springfield forty
 Samuel O Lamb of Greenfield four
 E Washington Warren of Charlestown Seven

For Auditor of Accounts
 Levi Reed of Abington one hundred and thirteen
 J Henry Hill of Worcester forty
 J E Eastbrook of " four
 J W Mansur of Fitchburg Seven

For Treasurer of this Commonwealth
 Henry K Oliver of Lawrence one hundred and fourteen
 Samuel A Eliot of Cambridge forty
 Silas Pierce of Boston four
 George Dennett of Boston ~~of~~ seven

For Senator for the third district in the County of Essex
 Christopher Tompkins of Haverhill one hundred and twelve
 N S Howe of Haverhill forty
 Warner R Whittier of Haverhill four
 J C Mason of Methuen seven

For Representative to the General Court for District ^{number twenty}
 John K Cole of Boxford one hundred and three
 Joshua T Day of Boxford Fifty nine.

For County Commissioner for Essex County
 George Wilson of Marblehead fifty-one
 James Kimball of Salem ninety-seven

Voted to To Dissolve this meeting
 Wm C Killam Town Clerk.

1861

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford duly qualified to vote for town officers and in town affairs held in the vestry in the second Parish in said Town on Monday the fourth day of March A.D. 1861.

Chose William R. Kimball } Moderator.

Chose William H. Wood } Town Clerk.

Chose William R. Cole }
 " William E. Killam } Selectmen.
 " John K. Cole }

Chose Joseph H. Jones }
 Benjamin Woodbury } Constables.

Chose Daniel Russell }
 " William E. Killam } Tythingmen
 " Joseph H. Jones }
 " William R. Kimball }
 " Silman P. Parker }
 " John Blodget }

Chose Orrille L. Hovey }
 " James Carlton }
 " Richard F. Gurley } Field Drivers.
 " George Perley }
 " Joseph K. Farley }
 " Samuel B. Carleton }
 " William J. Savage }
 " Joseph V. Pope }

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| 1861 | George W. Chadwick | } Field Drivers. |
| " | Isaac W. Andrew | |
| Chose | Caleb M. Cole | |
| " | Timothy Fuller | |
| " | William R. Kimball | |
| Chose | Samuel Perley | } Fence Viewers. |
| " | Thomas Sawyer | |
| " | John Peabody | |
| " | Orville L. Hovey | |
| " | George F. Pearl | |
| " | Ephraim F. Cole | |
| Chose | Edward Howe | } Surveyors |
| " | Samuel B. Carleton | |
| " | Dean Andrews | |
| " | Daniel Wood | |
| " | John Pearl | |
| " | John A. Day | |
| " | Augustus Hayward | |
| " | Daniel F. Harriman | |
| " | Daniel Andrews | |
| " | Cornelius Pearson | |
| " | Benjamin Hood | |
| " | Jonathan E. Foster | |
| " | Samuel Perley jr | |
| " | Richard F. Furley | |
| " | Oliver P. Killam | |
| " | John W. Brown | |
| " | William A. Howe | } Highways. |
| " | Charles Q. Foster | |
| " | John Hale | |
| " | John Fiske | |

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| 1861 | William Lowe | } Surveyors of Lumber |
| | Samuel Bixby | |
| | Augustus Hayward | |
| | Aaron Spofford | |
| | Orville L. Hovey | |
| | Joshua T. Day | |
| Chose | Dean Andrews | |
| | Thomas Sawyer | |
| | William Sawyer | |
| | Samuel Kimball | |
| | George S. Cole | } Measurers of Wood and Bark |
| | Benjamin S. Barnes | |
| | Daniel F. Harriman | |
| Chose | George F. Pearl | |
| " | Samuel Bixby | |
| " | John Pearl | |
| " | Amos Sterens | |
| " | Daniel F. Harriman | } Sealers of Leather |
| " | William A. Howe | |
| Chose | John Hale | } Pound Keepers |
| " | William R. Kimball | |
| Chose | William A. Howe | } Auditors |
| " | Orville L. Hovey | |
| Chose | Ancill Dorman | } Auditors |
| " | Richard Spofford | |

William E. Killam and Gabriel H. De Bevoise
resigned serving as School Committee

1861 Voted To adjourn the meeting forty five minutes

Afternoon Session

The qualified Voters met according to adjournment and proceeded to business.

Voted To choose a School Committee of three persons

Chose Phineas W. Barnes for three years } Scholl Committee

Voted To allow each school district to choose their own Prudential Committee.

Voted To suspend further action on the third article in the warrant and proceed to business.

Voted To allow the Prudential of each School District to Contract with the Teachers for their respective Schools.

Voted To accept the report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and ^{Boards} [Boards]

Voted To accept the report of the Committee on School Funds.

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by W^m E. Killam for service as Chairman of the board of Assessors Selectmen and Overseer of the poor the past year and incidental expenses. \$65.86
Also for] Service as Treasurer and Collector 40.00
\$105.86

1861 Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by W^m R. Cole for service as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year \$44.50

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Joshua T. Day for service as Selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year \$49.25

Voted That ~~Town~~ Officers the current year receive such compensation as the law allows.

Voted That Surveyors of Highways when the roads are encumbered with snow, be directed to break them out eight feet wide, and that twelve and a half cents per hour be allowed for a man, and twelve and a half cents per hour, be allowed for a yoke of oxen while employed under the direction of a Surveyor of Highways, and that all bills for such service be presented to the Selectmen for allowance previous to the 20th of Feb. 1862.

Voted To raise nine hundred dollars for the support of schools the current year.

Voted That all school money be divided equally among the seven school Districts

Voted To raise one thousand dollars for repairs and amendments of the Highways the current year.

- 861 Voted To allow a man while working on the Highways twelve and a half cents per hour, for a yoke of oxen twelve and a half cents, for a horse and horse cart twelve and a half cents, for an Ox shovel twelve and a half cents, for a plough twelve and a half cents, and for an ox cart five cents per hour while used on said Highways.
- Voted To raise fifteen hundred dollars to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the Town the current year.
- Voted That the collecting of the Taxes the current year be let out to the lowest bidder.
- Voted That the collecting of the Taxes be let out in two lists
- The north list was bid off by Wm E. Killam at one and four tenths per cent
- The south list was bid off by Wm E. Killam at one and four tenths per cent.
- Voted To take up the second article in the warrant
- Chose William E. Killam } Collector of Taxes
- Chose William E. Killam } Treasurer

1861 Voted To accept the following list of names as jurors

| | |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| Richard F. Gurley | Leverett S. Howe |
| Amos Berry | William R. Kimball |
| Daniel W. Conant | Thomas B. Parker |
| Ancill Dorman | John V. Robinson |
| Joshua S. Day | Peter Strout |
| Daniel Gould | William J. Savage |
| Israel Herrick | Thomas L. Spofford |
| George Pearl | Charles A. Spofford |

Voted To choose a committee of one to investigate the affair relative to the settlement of Andrew Berry.

Chose Nases Dorman } Committee

Voted To choose a committee to appropriate a sum of money not to exceed one hundred and fifty dollars to repair the Highways within the limits assigned to Nathan K. Fowler the past year

Voted That the Selectmen be this Committee

Voted That the altering the water course in the road west of the brook running from Rush Pond (so called) and the measures for draining the Brook below, and in the road leading from the Meeting house in West Boyford to North Andover be referred to the Selectmen.

Voted That the amount of the Town debt due Andover Savings Bank be paid as soon as convenient

861. Voted That the 20th article in the warrant be passed over.

Voted To take up the third article in the warrant

Voted To take up the 14th article in the warrant

Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector within three days of the first day of September next and that all Taxes be collected in sixty days after the date of the tax list.

Chose Moses Kimball for two years }
 Samuel Kimball for one year } School Committee

Voted To take up the 2nd article in the warrant

Orville L. Hovey declined serving as Pound Keeper

Chose Aaron L. Parker } Pound Keeper instead of
 Orville L. Hovey declined

Voted To dissolve this Meeting

William H. Wood } Town Clerk

[First meeting relative to the Civil War.]

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Buxford qualified to vote in Elections and in Town affairs held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town on Monday the sixth day of May A.D. 1861.

Chose George W. Chadwick } Moderator

Voted To raise the sum of five hundred dollars to be assessed on the Polls and Estates of said Town for the purpose of furnishing each of those persons who have Volunteered in the service of their Country from this Town or who may Volunteer within the present year, with such clothing and other things as they may need

Voted To choose a committee of three to carry this into Effect

Voted That the Selectmen be this committee

Voted That the committee furnish the Volunteers with such things as they need to give them a good outfit.

Voted That this committee be instructed to pay those who have Volunteered a sum of money equal per month to their pay after being mustered into service during their elementary drill

Voted To appropriate fifteen hundred dollars for the purpose of making provisions for the Families of such persons within the Town as have volunteered and of such as may volunteer in the service of their Country during the present year.

Voted To reconsider the last vote

Voted To raise fifteen hundred dollars for the purpose of making provision for the Families of such persons within the Town as have volunteered and of such as may volunteer in the service of their Country during the present year

Voted That it be left discessionary with the Selectmen how this money shall be appropriated.

Voted To choose a Surveyor of Highways in the District where Samuel Perley jr. was chosen at the annual Town Meeting

Chose Edward G. Batchelder } Surveyor of Highways

Voted To take up the third article in the warrant

Voted To reconsider the vote whereby the Town voted to raise fifteen hundred for the purpose of making provision for the Families of such persons within the Town as have volunteered and of such as may volunteer in the service of their Country during the present year.

Voted That all votes passed on the third article be reconsidered.

Voted That the Selectmen be instructed to give the Families of such persons within the Town as have volunteered and of such as may volunteer in the service of their Country during the present year such assistance as they may need, and draw orders on the Treasurer.

Voted To take up the second article in the warrant

Voted That this committee inform themselves from Military men conversant with the matter what is necessary for a complete outfit for soldiers when mustered into service and govern themselves accordingly

Voted That this Meeting be dissolved

William H. Wood } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified according to the Constitution to vote for civil Officers holden in the vestry in the second Parish in said Boxford on Tuesday the fifth day of November it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday of said month, for the purpose of giving their votes to the Selectmen for Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth, for a Councillor for District No. two, for Secretary of State, for Treasurer & Receiver General, for Attorney General, for Auditor of Accounts, for Senator for third Essex district, for Representative to General Court for North Andover District No. Twenty for Clerk of Courts, for Essex County for five years for one County Commissioner for three years, for one Special Commissioner, for County Treasurer for three years for Register of Deeds for five years all on one ballot.

Voted

At the expiration of two hours and fifteen minutes from the opening of the Polls that the Polls be closed

The whole number of ballots given in was seventy four

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted and recorded and declaration thereof made as by the constitution directed and were for the following persons viz.

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| For Governor of this Commonwealth | |
| John A. Andrew of Boston | Fifty three |
| Isaac Davis of Worcester | Twenty one |

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| For Lieutenant Governor | |
| John Nesmih of Lowell | Fifty three |
| Edwin C. Bailey of Boston | Twenty one |

For Secretary of State

Oliver Warner of Northampton Fifty three
 Frederick O. Prince of Winchester Twenty one

For Treasurer and Receiver General

Henry K. Oliver of Salem Fifty three
 Emory Sanford of Oxford Twenty one

For Attorney General

Dwight Foster of Worcester Fifty three
 Edward Avery of Braintree Twenty one

For Auditor of Accounts

Leri Reed of Abington Fifty three
 Moses Bates of Plymouth Twenty one

For Councillor-Second District

Gerry W. Cochrane of Methuen Forty nine
 Daniel Saunders of Lawrence Twenty six

For Senator-Third District-County of Essex

Christopher Tompkins of Haverhill Fifty
 Charles Barnes of North Andover Twenty three
 Warren Ordway of Bradford One

For County Commissioner

Jackson B. Swett of Haverhill Fifty three
 Albert Carrier of Newburyport Twenty four

For Special Commissioner

Zeno A. Appleton of Hamilton Fifty four
 John Choate of Essex Twenty five

For County Treasurer

Allen W. Dodge of Hamilton Seventy seven

For Register of Deeds

Ephraim Brown of Salem Seventy seven

For Clerk of Courts
 Asael Huntington of Salem Seventy eight

For Representative To General Court - District Number Twenty
 Moses J. Sterens of North Andover Thirty seven
 Samuel K. Johnson of North Andover Thirty three

Voted

To Dissolve this Meeting

William H. Wood } Town Clerk

1862

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford duly qualified to vote for Town officers and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said Town on Monday the third day of March A.D. 1862

Chose Ancill Dorman } Moderator

Chose William E. Killam } Town Clerk

Chose Wm [William] E. Killam }
 " George W. Chadwick } Selectmen
 " Thomas L. Spofford }

" Joseph H. Janes }
 " Jonathan J. Porter } Constables

" Benjamin S. Barnes }
 " Lererett S. Howe }
 " Daniel Russell }
 " Wm [William] E. Killam } Tythingmen
 " Daniel W. Conant }
 " Franklin Jaques }
 " William R. Kimball }
 " Jonathan J. Porter }
 " Moses Dorman }
 " Elisha & Bunker }
 " Joseph H. Janes }
 " Daniel Bixby } Field Drivers
 " Thomas L. Spofford }
 " Francis C. Whittier }
 " Alonzo J. Henley }
 " Ancill Dorman }
 " Thomas Sawyer }
 " George Perley } Fence Viewers
 " Joshua T. Day }
 " William R. Kimball }
 " George S. Cole }

1862

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| Chose | William N Cleaveland | } Surveyors of Highways |
| " | Charles A Spofford | |
| " | Moses Dorman | |
| " | Joseph P Cole | |
| " | Benjamin F Peabody | |
| " | Charles Perley | |
| " | John Sawyer | |
| " | Jonathan J Porter | |
| " | Leander Perley | |
| " | Samuel Twisden | |
| " | William Lowe | |
| " | Thomas L Spofford | |
| " | Albert Perley | |
| " | Horace Berry | |
| " | John F Kimball | |
| " | James Carleton | } Surveyors of Lumber |
| " | Francis Marden | |
| " | George S Cole | |
| " | Benjamin S Barnes | |
| " | Andrew Frame | |
| " | William Lowe | |
| " | Augustus Hayward | |
| " | Daniel Andrews | |
| " | Samuel Kimball | } Measurers of Wood & Bark |
| " | Joshua T Day | |
| " | Jonathan J Porter | |
| " | John Pearl | |
| " | Daniel F Harriman | |
| " | Samuel Bixby | } Measurers of Wood & Bark |
| " | Amos Sterens | |
| " | John Hale | |
| " | Daniel F Harriman | |
| " | John Pearl | |
| " | Moses Kimball | |
| " | Thomas Sawyer | |
| " | William R Kimball | |

1862

Chose

William A Howe

Robert B Anderson

} Pound Keepers

"

"

John Hale

"

Caleb M Cole

} Sealers of Leather

"

Ancill Dorman

Joshua T. Day

} Auditors

"

Moses Kimball

} School Committee for three years

Voted

To allow each School District to choose their own Prudential Committee

"

To allow the Prudential Committee of each School District to contract with the Teachers for their respective Schools.

"

To allow the several School Districts to appropriate their proportion of School money as they see fit for the support of Summer and winter terms of school

"

To accept of the report of the Selectmen relative to Guide posts and Boards

"

To accept of the report of the Committee on School Funds

"

To allow a bill of charge presented by William R Cole for Services as Chairman of the board of Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year including incidental expenses and Committee on roads

\$66.00

"

To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm E Killam for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year

\$43.63

also for services as Treasurer the past year

\$10.50

\$53.63

1862

- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by John K. Cole for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year including a journey to Tewksbury Ipswich and Amesbury \$32.00
- " To allow a bill of charge presented by Joseph H. James for ~~warning~~ two Town meetings and notifying Town Officers for 1861. \$6.00
- " To allow a bill of charge presented by John Hale for making over a bridge near the house of Joseph Hale that was filled up with earth \$10.15
- " To allow a bill of charge presented by Edward G. Batchelder for extra labor on Highways \$10.00
- " To allow a bill of charge presented by Oliver P. Killam for labor done on Highways more than amount of tax list \$6.20
- " To allow a bill of charge presented by John W. Brown for extra labor on the road \$6.00
- " To pass over the 9th article of the warrant
- " That Surveyors of Highways when the roads are encumbered with snow be directed to break them out eight feet wide, and that twelve and a half cents per hour be allowed for a man, and twelve and a half cents per hour be allowed for a yoke of oxen while employed under the direction of a Surveyor of Highways, and that all bills for such service be presented to the Selectmen for allowance previous to the 20th of Feb 1863
- " To raise nine hundred dollars for the support of Schools the current year.

1862

Voted

That the School money be divided equally among the seven school Districts

"

To raise eight hundred dollars for repairs and amendments of the Highways the current year

"

To allow a man while working on the Highways twelve and a half cents per hour, for a yoke of oxen twelve and a half cents, for a horse and horse cart twelve and a half cents, for a ox shovel twelve and a half cents, for a plough twelve and half cents and for an ox cart five cents per hour, while used on said Highways

"

To raise fifteen hundred dollars to defray the necessary expenses of the Town the current year

"

That the collecting of the Taxes be set up to the lowest bidder

The collecting of the Taxes were bid off by William R Kimball at $6\frac{1}{2}$ mills per dollar

Voted

To accept of the following list of names as Jurors
John Averill

William N Cleaveland Daniel W. Conant

Samuel B Carleton Daniel Gould

Joseph P Cole Moses Kimball

George W Chadwick ^{Charles F Kimball} Samuel P Peabody

Andrew Frame Henry A Towne

Matthew Hale John B Twisden

Edward Howe John I Wood

Voted

To pass over the 16th article of the warrant

"

To reconmit Benjamin Peabody's bill

1862

Voted To raise five hundred dollars to aid the families of volunteers in the army

Voted To take the 2^d article of the warrant

Chose W^m E Killam } Treasurer

William R Kimball refused to collect the Taxes for the current year

Voted To take up the 14th article of the warrant

" To set up the collecting of the Taxes to the lowest bidder

The collecting of the Taxes were bid off by Joseph H James at eight mills per dollar

Voted To take up the 2^d article of the warrant

Chose Joseph H James } Collector

Voted To Choose one more Tythingman in West Parish

Chose Robert B Anderson } Tythingman

" Samuel Goodale } Measurer of Wood & Bark

Voted To abate the Poll tax set to Jacob Dresser in list of 1858 also Joseph Peabody Silas B Edwards and George Love in list of 1859 also William Blodgett James A Dennet J W Johnson, William E Thompson Michael Cogan Samuel Evans Chandler B Hardy and Aaron Scofield in list of 1860, also W^m Broderick Patrick Doherty C B Hardy A J Pierce and Tax of 1.75 set to James W Holister in list of 1861

Voted To Dissolve the Meeting
W^m E Killam } Clerk

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified to vote in Elections and Town affairs, held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said Town on Mondy the Thirty first day of March A.D. 1862

Chose Nathan Towne } Moderator

Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector within three days of the first day of September next, and that all taxes be collected within Sixty days after the date of the tax list

Voted To pass over the third article of the warrant

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bedford qualified to vote in town affairs, held in Vestry in the First Parish in said Town on Tuesday the Twenty second day of July A.D. 1862

Chose Nathan Towne } Moderator

Voted That a bounty of Two hundred dollars be offered to any person being a citizen of this Town who may enlist into the service of the U.S. for the term of three years to be paid them when they are sworn into said service, until this towns quota is full.

Voted That in order to obtain this bounty they must enlist within twenty days from this date

Voted That this bounty be not paid until they have been examined by the Surgeon appointed for that purpose and sworn and mustered into service

Voted That the recruiting officer be authorized after the expiration of twenty days to recruit from any other source approved by law offering a bounty of One hundred dollars.

Voted That the Town Treasurer be authorized to hire money to pay this bounty

Voted That the Town raise and the Treasurer be authorized to hire the sum of Eight hundred dollars for the aid of families of Volunteers

Voted To dissolve this Meeting
Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford qualified to vote in town affairs held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said Town on Friday the Twenty second of August A.D. 1862

Chose Nathan Torone } Moderator

Voted That the Town will pay to each person who shall be a resident of this town, who shall enlist into the federal army and be duly enrolled under the last call of the President for 300.000 men for nine months, untill the quota for Bofford shall be filled - a bounty of Two hundred dollars

Voted To add fifty dollars to the bounty already raised

Voted That the Treasurer for Bofford is hereby authorized and instructed to hire upon the credit of the Town such sums of money as may be needed to pay the bounty agreeably to the vote of the town upon the second article just passed to such persons as volunteer and are duly mustered into the service

Voted To adjourn this meeting until next wednesday at three O'clock P.M. at this place

W^m E Killam } Town Clerk

The Inhabitants of the town of qualified to vote in town met according to adjournment on wednesday the twenty seventh day of Aug. at three O'clock P.M. A.D. 1862 after having the doings of the last meeting read

Voted To add to the vote passed on the 2^d article in the warrant, after he has ascertained the quota for Bofford

" That the Treasurer be instructed to hire such sums of money as he need at the lowest rates of interest that he can

Voted That the Treasurer be instructed to pay the first on the enlistment roll provided they shall be duly enrolled and mustered into the service until the quota is full

" To dissolve the meeting
Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified to vote in town affairs, held in the vestry in the first Parish in said Town on Monday the twenty ninth day of Sept A.D. 1862

Chose Nathan Towne } Moderator

Voted To rescind and annul their vote of Aug 27th 1862 whereby they voted to add to their vote on the 2^d article of their warrant of Aug 22^d 1862. after the Treasurer has ascertained the quota for Boxford

Voted That the Treasurer be authorized to pay fifteen persons if that number are duly mustered into the Service of the United States on or before Saturday the fourth day of Oct next. and that the persons whose names are now on the enlisting papers shall have the preference before any others up to the time named. If any of the fifteen above referred to shall not be mustered into the service by the time specified the Treasurer is authorized to pay any others mustered into the Service who are inhabitants of Boxford in their place, and if a larger number is required than the fifteen above named, the Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay the same bounty to each Soldier duly mustered into the service till the quota for Boxford is full

Voted To dissolve the meeting
Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified according to the Constitution to vote for Representatives to Congress for State and County officers holden in the vestry in the first Parish in said Bofford on Tuesday the fourth day of Nov A.D. 1862 for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen for Governor and Lieut. Governor of this Commonwealth, for Councillor for District No 2 for Secretary of State for Treasurer, for Attorney-General for Auditor of Accounts, for Senator for the 3^d Essex District, for Representative to General Court for North Andover No twenty, for District Attorney, for Sheriff for Essex County, for three Commissioners of Insolvency for Representative to Congress for Dist No 7, for one County Commissioner for three years and two Special Commissioners for the three years

Voted

The whole number of ballots given in was One hundred & thirty seven

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted and recorded and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were for the following persons viz

For Governor

| | |
|------------------------------------|--------------|
| John A Andrew of Boston | Ninety three |
| Gen Charles Derens jr of Worcester | Forty two |

For Lieutenant Governor

| | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Joel Hayden of Williamsburg | Ninety three |
| Thomas F Plunkett of Pittsfield | Forty two |

For Secretary of State

| | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Oliver Warner of Northampton | Ninety three |
| Nathaniel B Shurtleff of Boston | Forty three |

For Treasurer & Receiver General

| | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Henry K Oliver of Salem | Ninety three |
| Daniel Saunders jr of Lawrence | Forty three |

For Attorney General

| | |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| Dwight Foster of Worcester | Ninety three |
| Henry W Paine of Cambridge | Forty three |

For Auditor of Accounts

| | |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| Levi Reed of Abington | Ninety three |
| Charles Kimball of Spewich | Forty three |

For Representative to Congress Sixth District

| | |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| D W Gooch of Melrose | Forty three |
| Oliver H Perry of Andover | Forty three |
| Daniel W Gooch of Melrose | Forty nine |

For Councillor District No 2

| | |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| Gerry W Cochraine of Methuen | Ninety two |
| Stephen B. Ives jr of Salem | Forty three |

For Senator third Essex District

| | |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| Thomas Wright of Lawrence | Ninety two |
| George D Cabot of Lawrence | Forty three |

For District Attorney

| | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Alfred A Abbott of South Danvers | Forty three |
| Alfred A Abbott of Danvers | Forty nine |
| AA Abbott of South Danvers | Forty three |

For Sheriff

| | |
|----------------------------|------------|
| James Cary of Lawrence | Ninety two |
| Moses Tenney of Georgetown | Forty two |

For County Commissioners

| | |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| Abram D Waitt of Spewich | Ninety three |
| Levi Patch of Gloucester | Forty three |

For Special Commissioners

| | |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| John Danforth jr of Lynfield | Ninety two |
| John B Jenkins of Andover | Ninety two |
| Jerome Davis of Sanguis | Forty three |
| Moses Carr of West Newbury | Forty three |

For Commissioners of Insolvency

| | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| George F Choate of Salem | Ninety two |
| W H P Wright of Lawrence | Ninety two |
| Benj H Smith of Gloucester | Forty three |
| William C Binney of Amesbury | Forty three |
| W E P Smythe of Lynn | Forty three |
| Alfred Lottredge of Haverhill | Forty three |
| B H Smith of Gloucester | Forty nine |

For Representative to General Court District No 20

| | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| John Perley of Bradford | Ninety one |
| Leverett W Johnson of Bradford | Forty three |

Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

1863

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of
Boxford duly qualified to vote for town officers and in
town affairs held in the Vestry in the second Parish
in said town on Monday the second day of March A.D.
1863.

Chose William R. Kimball } Moderator

Voted To pass over the second article till a clerk is chosen

Chose William H. Wood } Town Clerk

Chose John F. Kimball
" William E. Killam } Selectmen
" Israel Herrick }

Voted To take up the twenty sixth Article in the warrant

Voted To release W^m H. and W^m A. Carleton from their obligation
to the town of Boxford

Chose Samuel Morse } Constables
" Joseph H. Jones }

Chose William E. Killam
" John K. Cole
" Richard K. Foster } Tythingmen
" J. Gilbert Day
" David M. Cole
" Thomas L. Spofford }

1863.

Chose

George Perley

"

Moses Dorman

"

William R. Kimball

"

Jonathan J. Porter } Dec.

"

Oliver P. Killam

"

John F. Kimball

"

Nathan K. Fowler

"

Joseph N. Pope

"

George Stetson

"

John Sawyer

"

Edward Howe

Field Drivers

Chose

Moses Dorman

"

Samuel Bixby

"

Dean Andrews

"

William H. Wood

"

Jonathan E. Foster

"

William R. Kimball

Fence Viewers

Chose

Edward Howe

"

Samuel Fowler

"

Dean Andrews

"

Daniel Wood

"

Elbridge Perley

"

George W. Chadwick

"

John L. Killam

"

Alonzo J. Hensley

"

Daniel Andrews

"

George Perley

"

John Jones

"

Nelson Bodwell

"

Sylvester Dolloff

"

John R. Webster

"

John T. Wood

"

Robert B. Anderson

"

Charles C. Sterens

"

Henry Barker

George B. Killam

Amos Sterens

Surveyors
of
Highways

1863

Chose

Augustus Hayward

"

Dean Andrews

"

Samuel Kimball

"

Samuel Bixby

"

Joshua T. Day

"

Jonathan J. Porter, Dec.

"

Daniel F. Harriman

"

John Pearl

} Surveyors of Lumber

Chose

Samuel Bixby

"

Amos Sterens

"

Israel Herrick

"

Charles C. Sterens

"

Benjamin F. Peabody

"

Joshua T. Day

"

Daniel F. Harriman

"

Samuel B. Carleton

} Measurers of Wood and Bark

Chose

William A. Howe

"

Aaron L. Parker

} Pound Keepers

Chose

John Averill

"

Isaac W. Andrew.

} Sealers of Leather

Chose

Ancill Dorman

"

William R. Kimball

} Auditors

Chose

Samuel Kimball

} School Committee for three years

Voted

To allow each school District to choose their own Prudential Committee

1863

- Voted To pass over the fifth Article in the warrant.
- Voted To take up the second Article in the warrant
- Voted To pass over the second Article in the warrant
- Voted To allow the Prudential Committee of each School District to contract with the Teachers for their respective Schools the current year.
- Voted To allow the several School Districts to divide their proportion of the school money as they think proper for the support of the summer and winter terms of School
- Voted To accept the report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Boards without reading.
- Voted To accept the report of the Committee on School Funds
- Voted To accept the report of the Auditors
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by W^m E. Killam for service as Chairman of Selectmen Assessor and Overseer of the poor the past year, and cash paid for Stationary, postage, Express fee &c. \$85.91.
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Thomas L. Spofford for service as one of the Selectmen and Overseer of the poor \$20.75

1863

- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by George W. Chadwick for service as Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer of the poor and Cash paid \$37.00
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm E. Killam for services as Treasurer the past year and Cash paid for postage and express fees \$12.53
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Joshua T. Day for service as Auditor and Cash paid for printing Report \$16.00
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Joseph H. James for notifying Town meeting For March 2nd 1863. \$1.50
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Thomas L. Spofford Surveyors of Highways for repairing Bridge and extra labor on Highways near George Stetsons. \$1.00
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Samuel Twisden for gravel for mending Highways one hundred loads at five cents a load \$5.00
- Voted To pass over the twelfth Article in the warrant
- Voted That Surveyors of Highways when the roads are encumbered with snow be directed to break them out eight feet wide and that twelve and a half cents per hour be allowed for a man, and twelve and a half cents per hour be allowed for a yoke of oxen while employed under the direction of a Surveyor of Highways, and that all bills for such service be presented to the Selectmen previous to the 20th of February 1864.

1863

- Voted To raise Nine hundred dollars for the support of Schools the current year.
- Voted That the school money be divided equally among the seven School Districts
- Voted To raise one thousand dollars for repairs and amendments of the Highways the current year
- Voted That three fourths of the Highway tax be worked out before the first day of July, and To allow a man while working on the Highways twelve and a half cents per hour, for a yoke of oxen twelve and a half cents, for a horse and horse cart twelve and a half cents, for an ox shovel twelve and a half cents, for a plough twelve and a half cents, and for an ox cart five cents per hour while used on said Highway
- Voted To adjourn the meeting one hour.

Afternoon Session

The qualified voters met according to adjournment and proceeded to business

- Voted To raise fifteen hundred dollars to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the Town the current year
- Voted That a discount of four per cent be allowed on all Taxes paid before the first of November, and two per cent on all paid before the first of December and that all the Taxes be paid before the first of January.

Voted To take up the third Article in the warrant

Chose William R. Kimball } Collector of Taxes

Chose William R. Kimball } Treasurer

Jonathan J. Porter declined serving as Field Driver
and Surveyor of Lumber

Chose Orrille L. Hovey } Surveyor of Lumber

Chose James Carlton } Field Driver

Voted To take up the twelfth Article in the warrant

Voted To allow the Treasurer and Collector Forty dollars
for his services the current year.

Voted That the Treasurer be instructed to hire one
thousand dollars to aid the families of volunteers
as it shall be needed from time to time.

Voted That the Selectmen be instructed to draw
money from the Treasurer in such sums as
they need from time to time to pay the families
of volunteers

Voted To abate the Poll Tax set to Jacob D. Brown,
George W. Cunningham George H. Holt and
Silman P. Parker in list of 1861.

1863

Voted To pass over the remainder of the Article.

Voted To choose Committee to visit the Alms house Establishment and see what repairs are necessary; and stake out a place where they think the barn ought to stand on or before the 20th Inst. and ascertain the expense of such repairs and removing the barn, and report at the next Town Meeting

Voted To choose a Committee of three and they be chosen by ballot

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| Chose | Joshua T. Day | } Committee |
| " | John K. Cole | |
| " | Thomas Sawyer | |

Voted To take up the twenty second Article in the warren

Voted That the Town Stand their own insurance

Voted To cut thirty cords of wood on the Town farm draw it off from the lot and pile it in the pasture

Voted To accept the following list of names as Jurors

| | |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| Albert Brown | Orville L. Hovey |
| John K. Cole | Henry James |
| William R. Cole | Asa Kimball |
| Stephen Cook | William R. Kimball |
| Andrew Frame | Valorus V. Moulton |
| Jonathan C. Foster | Samuel P. Peabody |
| Israel Herrick | Daniel Russell |
| Edward Howe | John T. Wood |

1863

- Voted To pass over the twenty fourth Article in the warrant
- Voted That the Taxes for the current year be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of October.
- Voted To take up the twenty third Article in the warrant
- Voted That the Overseers of the poor be instructed to cut off thirty cords of wood on the Town Farm, - draw it from the lot and pile it in the pasture previous to the first of May
- Voted To take up the twentieth article in the warrant
- Voted To abate the Poll tax set to Henry Q. Hale, Thomas Haines and Thomas Reedy in list of 1862.
- Voted That this Meeting be dissolved

William H. Wood } Town Clerk.

1863

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified by the Constitution to vote for Senators and Representatives in General Court, holden in the Vestry in the second Parish in said Bofford on Monday the sixth day of April A.D. 1863. being the first Monday in said month for the purpose of giving in their votes by ballot for or against an Article of Amendment to the Constitution of this Commonwealth

At the expiration of two hours from the opening of the Polls the Town voted to close the Poll

The whole number of persons who gave in their votes was ascertained as by law directed and the whole number of ballots was thirty and the whole number of votes were received, sorted, counted, and declaration Thereof made in open Town meeting as by law directed and were as follows.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------|------------|
| Amendment to the Constitution | Yes. | Four |
| " " " " | No. | Twenty six |

Voted

To dissolve the Meeting

Wm H. Wood } Town Clerk

1863

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of
 Bofford qualified to vote in Elections and Town
 affairs held in the Vestry in the second Parish
 in said Town on Monday the sixth day of March
 A.D. 1863

Chose George Pease } Moderator

Voted To expend a sum of Money not to exceed
 seventy-five dollars to repair the barn at the
 Almshouse establishment where it now stands

Voted To choose a committee of one to carry this
 into effect

Chose Joshua T. Day } Committee

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

Wm H. Wood } Town Clerk

1863

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford duly qualified to vote for town officers and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said town on Monday the eighth day of June A.D. 1863.

Chose

William R. Kimball } Moderator

Voted

That the Selectmen be instructed to investigate the affair relative to Albert W. Sterens being injured by a horse slipping down in the road near the house of John Gould, - and to settle with him the best they can

Voted

That all votes passed at this meeting be reconsidered

Voted

To dissolve the meeting

Wm H. Wood } Town Clerk

1863

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford duly qualified to vote for town officers and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town on Monday the seventeenth day of August A.D. 1863

Chose John F. Kimball } Moderator

Voted That there be a committee chosen to defend the Town, in the suit commenced against said Town by Albert W. Stevens

Voted That there be a committee of two chosen

Chose Daniel F. Harriman } Committee
" John F. Kimball }

Voted That action on the third article in the warrant be indefinitely postponed.

Voted That this meeting be dissolved

William H. Wood } Town Clerk

1863

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified to vote for State and County Officers, held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said Boxford on Tuesday the third day of November - A.D. 1863. for the purpose of giving in their vote to the Selectmen for Governor and Lieut. Governor of this Commonwealth, for a Councillor for District No. 2. Secretary of State, Treasurer, Attorney General, Auditor of Accounts, Senator for the third Essex District, for Register of Probate and Insolvency for the County of Essex, Representative to General Court for North Andover District No. 20. and for one County Commissioner for three years.

Voted

At the expiration of two hours from the opening of the Polls, that the Polls be closed.

The whole number of ballots given in was One hundred and thirteen

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were as follows viz.

For Governor

| | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----|
| Whole number of ballots | One hundred and thirteen | 113 |
| John A. Andrew of Boston | Eighty four | 84 |
| Henry W. Paine of Cambridge | Twenty nine | 29 |

For Lieutenant Governor

| | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-----|
| Whole number of ballots | One hundred and thirteen | 113 |
| Joel Hayden of Williamsburg | Eighty four | 84 |
| Thomas F. Plunket of Pittsfield | Twenty nine | 29 |

1863

For Secretary of State

Whole number of ballots One hundred and thirteen 113
 Oliver Warner of Northampton Eighty four 84
 Frederick Q. Prince of Winchester Twenty nine 29

For Attorney General

Whole number of ballots One hundred and thirteen 113.
 Dwight Foster of Worcester Eighty four 84.
 Theodore H. Sweetser of Lowell Twenty nine 29.

For Treasurer

Whole number of ballots One hundred and thirteen 113
 Henry K. Oliver of Salem Eighty four 84
 Nathan Clark of Lynn Twenty nine 29

For Auditor

Whole number of ballots One hundred and thirteen 113.
 Levi Reed of Abington Eighty four 84
 Moses Bates of Plymouth Twenty nine 29.

For County Commissioner

Whole number of ballots One hundred and thirteen 113.
 James Kimball of Salem Eighty four 84
 Moses Newell of West Newbury Twenty nine 29

For Register of Probate and Insolvency for the County of Essex.

Whole number of ballots One hundred and thirteen 113.
 Abner C. Goodell Jr. of Salem Eighty four 84
 George R. Lord of Ipswich Twenty nine 29.

For Councillor. — Dist. No. 2

Whole number of ballots One hundred and thirteen 113.
 Eben S. Poor of South Danvers Eighty four 84
 William Nutting Jr. of Marblehead Twenty nine 29

For Senator 3rd Essex District

Whole number of ballots One hundred and thirteen 113.
 Thomas Wright of Lawrence Eighty four 84
 Samuel Gould of Lawrence Twenty nine 29

For Representative to General Court District No. 20.

Whole number of ballots One hundred and ten 110
 Jefferson Kimball of Boxford Sixty four 64
 Joshua T. Day of Boxford Forty six 46.

Meeting Dissolved

William H. Wood } Town Clerk

1863

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford duly qualified to vote for town officers and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town on Tuesday the third day of Nov. A.D. 1863.

Chose

John K. Cole } Moderator

Voted

To pass over the second article in the warrant

Voted

To raise four hundred dollars for paying State Aid to families of deceased Soldiers, and that the Treasurer be authorized to hire the same

Voted

That the repairing of the road on the hill northerly of the house of Samuel Killam be referred to the Selectmen

Voted

To dissolve the meeting

William H. Wood } Town Clerk

1863

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boyford duly qualified to vote for town officers and in town affairs held in the Vestry, in the second Parish in said town on Wednesday the thirtieth day of December A.D. 1863.

Chose William R. Kimball } Moderator

Voted That there be a committee of five chosen, consisting of the Selectmen, and two others, to aid in procuring Volunteers, to fill the quota of the town under the last call of the President of the U.S.

Chose Charles C. Stevens } Committee
James P. Cleaveland }

Voted That the expense in getting Volunteers, that has already been incurred, be assumed by the Town.

W^m E. Killam declined serving as one of the committee to aid in procuring Volunteers.

Chose William J. Savage instead of W^m E. Killam - declined

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

William H. Wood } Town Clerk

1864

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of
Borford duly qualified to vote in town affairs and for
town officers held in the vestry in the first Parish in
said town on Monday the seventh day of March A.D. 1864.

Chose

Nathan Towne } Moderator

" Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

" Wm E Killam }
" Joshua T. Day } Selectmen
" William R. Cole }

" William J. Savage } Constables
" Samuel Morse }

" Wm E Killam }
" George Perley } Tythingmen
" Daniel Gould }
" Israel F. Spofford }
" Samuel B. Carleton }
" Franklin J. Agnes }

" Moses Dorman }
" George Perley } Field Drivers
" John Aresell }
" Joseph H. James }
" John Gould }
" Israel F. Spofford }
" Oliver P. Killam }
" + Asa Kimball }
" William R. Kimball }
" Harrison O. Ross }

" + Thomas Sawyer }
" George Perley } Fence Viewers
" Amos Berry }

1864

Chose

Ephraim F Cole
John F Kimball
Oliver P Killam

Fence Viewers

Chose

William G Todd
Israel F Spofford
Samuel Andrews
William R Kimball
Francis C Whittier
* John A Day
John K Cole
Daniel F Harriman
Charles Russell
Wm E Killam
Solomon W. Lowe
William H Berch
William R Cole
Caleb M Cole
Francis Marden
John V Robinson
Timothy Fuller
Benjamin S Barnes
Charles F Kimball
Stephen P Perley

Surveyors
of
Highways

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William Lowe
Augustus Hayward
Dean Andrews
Samuel Kimball
* Thomas Sawyer
Samuel Bixby
Joshua T Day
Jonath J Porter
Daniel F Harriman
John Pearl

Surveyors of Lumber

1864

Chose

| | | |
|--------------------|---|--------------------------|
| Isaac Hale | } | Measurers of Wood & Bark |
| Samuel Bixby | | |
| * Thomas Sawyer | | |
| Dean Andrews | | |
| Daniel F Harriman | | |
| Nathan K Fowler | | |
| Benjamin F Peabody | | |
| Samuel B Carleton | | |
| Amos Sterens | | |

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|----------------|---|---------------|
| Henry W Dale | } | Pound Keepers |
| Aaron L Parker | | |

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|----------------|---|--------------------|
| Eduard Howe | } | Sealers of Leather |
| Isaac W Andrew | | |

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| Ancill Dorman | } | Auditors |
| William H Wood | | |

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|----------------|---|----------------------------------|
| William R Cole | } | School Committee for three years |
| | | |

Voted

To allow each School District to choose their own Prudential Committee

"

To sustain the School Districts in this town

"

To allow the Prudential Committee of each School District to contract with the Teachers for their respective schools the current year

"

To allow the several School Districts to divide their proportion of School money as they think proper for the support of the summer and winter terms of school the current year

"

To suspend action on the 8th article at present

"

To accept of the report of the Auditors

1864

Voted

To pass over the 11th article of the warrant at present

" To accept of the report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Boarnd

" To allow a bill of charge presented by John F Kimball for services as Chairman of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year including cash paid for Stationary Postage and Express fees &c \$88.50

" To allow a bill of charge presented by W^m E Killam for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year, including cash paid for Postage Express fees &c \$38.25

" To allow a bill of charge presented by Israel Herrick for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for 1863 \$34.00

" To allow a bill of charge presented by Amos Sterens one of the Surveyors of Highways for cash paid for extra labor in building a Bridge near the house of John Hale \$10.00

" That Surveyors of Highways when the roads are encumbered with snow be directed to break them out eight feet wide, and that twelve and a half cents per hour be allowed for a man, and twelve and a half cents per hour be allowed for a yoke of oxen while employed under the direction of a surveyor of Highways, and that all bills for such service be presented to the Selectmen for allowance by the said Surveyors previous to the 20th of Feb 1865

" To raise nine hundred dollars for the Support of Schools the current year, and that it be divided equally among the several School Districts

" To raise one thousand dollars for repairs and amendments of the Highways and Bridges the current year.

1864

Voted That three fourths of the Highway tax be worked out before the first day of July next, and to allow a man while working on the Highways fifteen cts per hour, for a yoke of oxen fifteen cts for a horse and horse-cart fifteen cts, for an ox shovel twelve and a half cts, for a Plough twelve and a half cts, and for an ox cart five cts per hour while used on said Highways.

" To raise fifteen hundred dollars to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town the current year

" That the collection of the taxes for the current year be let out to the lowest bidder

The collecting of the taxes was bid off by Joseph H. James at seven mills per dollar

" To take up the 2^d article of the warrant

Whose Joseph H. James } Collector of Taxes

" Joseph H. James } Treasurer

Voted To accept of the following list of names as Jurors

| | |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| Albert Brown | William R Kimball |
| John K. Cole | Orville L Hovey |
| James P. Cleaveland | Henry James |
| Ancill Dorman | Asa Kimball |
| Jonathan E. Foster | Valorus V Moulton |
| Edward Howe | Samuel P Peabody |
| William A. Howe | Alonzo J Henley |
| William R Cole | John T. Wood |

" That Dean Andrews name be stricken from the list of Jurors by his request, and that the name of William A. Howe be inserted in its stead

1864

- Voted To authorize the Selectmen to hire money as it may be needed, for paying State aid to families of Soldiers to an amount not exceeding fourteen hundred dollars
- " To abate the Poll Tax set John F. Cole George S Dodge John Edmonds, and Luther McQuestion in list of 1862
- " That the Town build an addition to the Alms-house suitable for the accomodation of insane paupers
- " That we Shingle the Alms-house
- " To choose a Committee of three by ballot to build and make the repairs voted
- Chose John K Cole, Joshua T Day, Thomas Sawyer } Committee
- Voted That the Town raise one thousand dollars to build and repair the Alms-house
- " That the Committee chosen to build an addition to and Shingle the Alms-house, be instructed to make such other repairs on or about the Alms-house as they think essentially necessary
- " That the Committee take any part of the one thousand dollars raised to build an addition to and to Shingle ~~the~~ Alms-house not otherwise expended, to make repairs on said house or any other money not otherwise appropriated which may be in the Treasury
- " That the one thousand dollars voted to be raised for building and addition to and to repair the Alms-house be added to the State County and Town taxes for the current year
- " That the Town pay one thousand dollars of the town debt

1864

- Voted To take up the 8th article of the warrant
- " To accept of the report of the Committee on School Funds.
- " That the taxes for the current year be committed to the Collector by the first day of Oct and that they be collected before the first day of December next
- " That a Committee of three persons be chosen to look after truant children
- Chose W^m R Cole, Moses Kimball, Samuel Kimball } Truant Officers
- Voted To adopt the following as instructions to Truant Officers
- It shall be the duty of the Committee chosen by the Town as Truant Officers, To acquaint themselves with all cases of neglect of duty in parents & guardians in the schooling of children, And to induce if possible such Parents and Guardians to comply with the requirements of the law, Failing in this, any minors between the age of five and sixteen an habitual truant growing up in ignorance shall be proceeded against as the law directs, Chap 42 Sch. laws. And if convicted shall be placed in some family where proper influences may be used to reform and instruct, Or in some Institution of reformation and instruction as may in the opinion of the court be thought best
- " That all bills against the Town except the Selectmen's for their service, be presented to the Selectmen for allowance previous to the 18th of Feb 1865
- " To dissolve this Meeting
- W^m E Killam } Town Clerk

1864

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford duly qualified to vote in town affairs held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said town on Friday the twenty-fifth day of March A.D. 1864

Chose George Perley } Moderator

Voted That the Committee on the case of Albert W. Sterens versus the Town of Bofford make a statement of the case how it stands

" That the Committee on the case of Albert W. Sterens versus the town of Bofford be instructed to prosecute on appeal or exceptions in the case to its final issue

" That the Committee be instructed to employ the most able counsel they can find.

" That there be a Committee of one person chosen to settle with Mr Thistel of Lawrence, for damage received, caused by a defect in the Highway, as reasonable as he can.

Chose Joshua T Day } Committee

Voted That the repairs on Bridges be refered to the Selectmen and that they repair them in the best manner possible

" To dissolve this meeting

Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

1864

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bedford
duly qualified to vote in town affairs held in the Vestry in
the first Parish in said town on Friday the twenty fifth
day of March A. D. 1864

Chose John Peabody } Moderator

Voted That the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to hire
all the money that may be necessary to procure men
to fill the quotas of this Town under the calls of the
President of the U. S. dated Oct 17th 1863 and Feb 1st 1864
not to exceed one hundred and twenty five dollars
per man

" That the Chairman of the Selectmen attend to this
business immediately without one days delay

" That the Surveyors of Highways for the current
year be instructed to remove no more gravel
from the common in front of the Holzoke house

" To dissolve this meeting
Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

1864

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford duly qualified to vote in town affairs, held in the vestry in the first Parish in said Town on Saturday the ninth day of April A.D. 1864,

Chose Moses Dorman } Moderator

Voted That the Town Treasurer be hereby directed to hire upon the credit of the town such sums of money as towns are by law authorized to raise to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen in procuring recruits to fill the quota of Bofford under the last call of the President of the U.S. not to exceed the sum of one hundred and twenty five dollars for each recruit obtained and mustered into the United States service

Voted To dissolve this meeting

Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford duly qualified to vote for town Officers held in the vestry in the first Parish in said Town on Saturday the twenty fifth day of June A.D. 1864

Chose George Perley } Moderator

" Peter Strout } Surveyor of Highways in place of
Stephen P Perley who declined

Voted To Dissolve the meeting

Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

1864

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford duly qualified to vote in town affairs held in the vestry in the first Parish in said town on Saturday the second day of July A. D. 1864.

Chose

Benjamin S Barnes } Moderator

Voted

That the Selectmen be authorized and instructed to pay to any person furnishing a recruit hereafter enlisted and duly mustered into the military service of the United States, as a part of the quota of the Town of Boxford, under any call or order of the President of the United States, for troops issued hereafter prior to the first day of March A. D. 1865, the sum of one hundred and twenty five dollars and that the Selectmen shall draw their order or warrant upon the Treasurer of the town for such sums of money as may be required to fill the quota of Boxford under any and all calls for troops made by the President of the United States prior to the first day of March A. D. 1865: and that the Treasurer be authorized and instructed to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary for the purpose specified above and give the credit or promissory note of the Town therefor

Voted

That the Selectmen be authorized and requested to appoint Samuel K Herrick of Boston recruiting agent for this Town, and that all monies raised by the Town for the purpose of paying bounties to Volunteers be placed in his hands, and at his disposal agreeable to the foregoing votes.

Voted

To dissolve this meeting

Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

1864

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bedford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified to vote for State and County Officers held in the vestry in the First Parish in said Bedford on Tuesday the eighth day of November A. D. 1864. for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen for the number of Electors of President and Vice President of the United States to which this Commonwealth is entitled, for Governor and Lieutenant Governor of this Commonwealth, for Representative in the Congress of the United States, for Councillor for council District No 2. for Secretary of State, for Treasurer and Receiver General, for Auditor of Accounts, for Attorney General, for Senator for 3^d Essex District, for Representative to the General Court of this Commonwealth for North Andover District No 20, and for County Commissioner, County Treasurer and Register of Deeds for Essex County

Voted At the expiration of two hours and five minutes from the opening of the Polls that the Polls be closed.

The whole number of ballots given in were one hundred and sixty nine (169).

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were as follows viz.

For Electors of President and Vice President (At Large)
 Edward Everett of Boston one hundred and twenty eight
 Whiting Griswold of Greenfield one hundred and twenty eight
 Robert C Winthrop of Boston Thirty nine
 Erasmus D Beach of Springfield Thirty nine

For an Elector for District Number one ^{eight}
 Richard Borden of Fall River one hundred and twenty
 A. H. Howland of N Bedford Thirty nine

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For an Elector for District Number two
 Artemas Hale of Bridgewater One hundred and twenty eight
 John Wilson of Cohasset Thirty nine

For an Elector for District Number three
 George Putnam of Roxbury One hundred and twenty eight
 Abraham Jackson of Boston Thirty nine

For an Elector for District Number four
 J. M. S. Williams of Cambridge One hundred twenty eight
 Andrew Pierce of Boston Thirty nine

For an Elector for District Number five
 John G. Whittier of Amesbury, One hundred and twenty eight
 Samuel C. Peabody of Salem Thirty nine

For an Elector for District Number Six
 George L. Davis of North Andover One hundred and twenty eight
 James H. Carleton of Haverhill Thirty nine

For an Elector for District number Seven
 Stephen M. Weld of West Roxbury One hundred and twenty eight
 L. Saltonstall of Newton Thirty nine

For an Elector for District Number Eight
 Levi Lincoln of Worcester One hundred and Twenty eight
 Isaac Davis of Worcester Thirty nine

For an Elector for District number nine
 William S. Clark of Amherst One hundred and twenty eight
 Wm H. Fuller of Wheatley Thirty nine

For an Elector for District Number ten
 John Wells of Chicopee One hundred and Twenty eight
 Abraham Paige of Springfield Thirty nine

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For Representative to U.S. Congress District Number
 Daniel W Gooch of Melrose One hundred and twenty eight
 J J Greenwood of Malden Thirty nine

For Governor of this Commonwealth
 John A Andrew of Boston One hundred and twenty eight
 Henry W Paine of Cambridge Thirty nine

For Lieutenant Governor
 Joel Hayden of Williamsburg One hundred and twenty eight
 Thomas F Plunkett of Pittsfield Thirty nine

For Councillor for Council District number two
 Eben S Poor of South Danvers One hundred and twenty eight
 W^m Nutting^{of} of Marblehead Thirty nine

For Secretary of State
 Oliver Warner of Northampton One hundred and twenty eight
 F Q Prince of Winchester Thirty nine

For Treasurer and Receiver-General
 Henry K Oliver of Salem One hundred and twenty eight
 Nathan Clark of Lynn Thirty nine

For Auditor of Accounts
 Levi Reed of Abington One hundred and twenty eight
 Moses Bates of Plymouth Thirty nine

For Attorney General
 Chester I Reed of Taunton One hundred and twenty eight
 S Q Lamb of Greenfield Thirty nine

For Senator 3^d Essex District
 George Foster of Andover One hundred and twenty eight
 John B Nichols of Haverhill Thirty nine
 For Representative to General Court District number ^{six} twenty
 Elbridge S Manning of North Andover One hundred and twenty
 John A Wiley of North Andover Forty one

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For Register of Deeds for Essex County
 Ephraim Brown of Salem One hundred and sixty seven

For Treasurer of Essex County
 Allen W Dodge of Hamilton One hundred and twenty eight
 J D Tuck of Beverly Thirty nine

For County Commissioner for Essex County
 Jackson B Swett of Haverhill One hundred and twenty eight
 John I Ladd of Groveland Thirty nine

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Wm E Killam } Town Clerk.

1865

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of of the The
Town of Bedford duly qualified to vote for Town
Officers and in Town affairs held in the Vestry
in the Second Parish in said Town on Monday
the sixth day of March A.D. 1865

| | | |
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| Chose | George W. Chadwick | } Moderator |
| " | William R Cole | } Town Clerk |
| " | John F. Kimball Benj. S. Barnes Edward Howe | } Selectmen |
| " | William J. Sarage Samuel Morse | } Constables |
| " | P. W. Barnes Daniel Russell Fred'k A Howe Franklin Jaques Oliver P. Killam Nathan K. Fowler | } Tythingmen |
| " | Joseph N. Pope Edward Howe George Stetson Moses Dorman George Perley Isaac W. Andrew William R Kimball Asa Kimball Oliver P. Killam John T. Wood | Field Drivers |

Chose

| | | |
|--------------------|---|------------------|
| Samuel P. Peabody | } | Fence Viewers |
| George W. Chadwick | | |
| William R. Cole | | |
| Ancill Dorman | | |

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|--------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Solomon W. Howe | } | Surveyors of Highways |
| Samuel B. Carleton | | |
| Dean Andrews | | |
| John Pearl | | |
| David M. Cole | | |
| John Day jr. | | |
| John Sawyer | | |
| Daniel Andrews | | |
| Cornelius Pearsons | | |
| Benjamin Hood | | |
| Joseph K. Farley | | |
| Ephraim F. Cole | | |
| John W. Brown | | |
| Samuel Bixby | | |
| Henry Barker | | |
| Joseph B. Fisk | | |
| William J. Sarage | | |
| Benjamin French | | |
| Erastus Smith | | |

Voted

That the two districts where J. V. Robinson & D. F. Harriman were surveyors the last year be united & that the Selectmen be instructed to fix the limits according to their best judgment—

Chose

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| William Lowe | } | Surveyors of Lumber |
| Samuel Bixby | | |
| Augustus Hayward | | |
| Dean Andrews | | |
| Samuel Kimball | | |
| Jona. J. Porter | | |
| Joshua J. Day | | |
| Daniel F. Harriman | | |
| John Day jr. | | |

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Chose

Samuel Bitby

Amos Sterens

William Lowe

Samuel N. Ayers

Samuel P. Peabody

Daniel F. Harriman

Daniel F. Harriman

Benjamin F. Peabody

Ephraim F. Cole

Jona. E. Foster

Nathan K. Fowler

Samuel B. Carleton

Measurers

of

Wood &

Bark

"

John Averill

Aaron L. Parker

Pound Keepers

"

John Averill

Samuel Morse

Sealers of Leather

"

George Perley

William R. Kimball

Auditors

"

Samuel P. Peabody for three years

William R. Cole for two years

Ancill Dorman for one year

School

Committee

Voted

To accept the Report on Guide Posts & and Board

"

To accept the report of the Auditors

"

To accept the report of the report of the Committee
chosen to make repairs and improvements at
the Almshouse

"

To accept the report of the Committee chosen
to take the care and management of the School
Funds

"

To allow a bill of charge presented by William E
Killam for services as Chairman of Selectmen
Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year
including cash paid for Stationary, Postage,
Express fees &c.

\$92.42

- Voted To allow a bill of Charge presented by Joshua T. Day for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year
- " To allow a bill of charge presented by William R. Cole for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year \$48.50
- " That all bills against The Town Except the Selectmen's for their services be presented to the Selectmen for allowance on or before the 20th of Feby 1866
- " That when the roads are encumbered with snow the Surveyors are instructed to break them out Eight feet wide and to allow for a man and for a Yoke of Oxen Each twelve & a half cts. per. hour while Employed under their direction in breaking out the roads
- " To allow Each School District to choose its own prudential Committee
- " To allow the prudential Committee of Each School District to contract with the Teachers for the current year
- " To allow the several School Districts to divide their proportion of the School Money as they think proper for the support of the summer & winter terms of School
- " To raise nine hundred dollars for the support of schools the current year
- " To raise One Thousand dollars for repairs and amendments of the Highways the current year
- " That three fourths of the Highway tax be worked out previous to the first day of July next, and to allow for a man & for a Yoke of oxen Each fifteen cts. per. hour. for a horse & horse cart fifteen cts.

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- Voted for an Ox-shovel & for a Plough each twelve & a half cts. per. hour & for an Ox cart five cts. per. hour while used on said Highways
- Voted To raise two thousand dollars to defray town charges the current year
- " That a discount of four per. cent be allowed on all taxes paid into the Treasury before the first day of Nov. & two per. cent on all paid before the first day of Dec. and that all taxes be paid before the first day of January
- " To accept the following list of names as Jurors
- | | |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| John K. Cole | Orville L. Hovey |
| James P. Cleaveland | Henry James |
| Jonathan E. Foster | Asa Kimball |
| Edward Howe | Valorus V. Moulton |
| William A. Howe | Samuel P. Peabody |
| Charles F. Kimball | Alonso J. Henley |
| William R. Kimball | Peter Strout |
| John Averill. | John T. Wood |
- " To raise One thousand dollars to aid the families of Volunteers and that The Treasurer be instructed to hire the same as it may be needed.
- " To abate the Poll Taxes set to the following persons in list of 1864
 Thomas Condon Charles Acres Oliver Welch
 James Dennitt Moses Rust, Also wid. Sarah
 Dorman's Tax of \$4.60
- " That the Taxes for the current year be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of October
- " To pass over the 20th Article of the warrent

- Voted To take up the second article in the warrent
- Chose Joshua T. Day Treasurer & collector
- Voted To allow the Treasurer & collector fifty dollars for his services
- " To abate the poll Taxes set to the following persons in list of 1863 Martin L. Ames Thomas Condon Leander H. Cheney Franklin A. Day John Holmes Ebenezer Hutchins Samuel B. Trifts Also a Tax of \$1.38 set to Nehitable S. Blanchard in said list
- Voted That the Poll Tax set to Horace D. Moreland in list of 1863 be recommitted to the Collector
- " To unite the fifth & seventh school Districts
- " To take up the thirteenth article of the warrent
- " That the fifth & seventh school Districts as united, receive two sevenths of the school Money and the remaining Districts Each one seventh of said money

Voted To dissolve the meeting

William R Cole } Town Clerk

1865

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford duly qualified to vote in Elections and in Town affairs held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said Town on wednesday the 22^d. day of March A.D. 1865

Chose Samuel P. Peabody Moderator

Voted To make null & void the vote whereby the fifth & seventh school Districts were united at the last annual Town meeting

Voted To make null & void the vote whereby it appropriated to the fifth & seventh school Districts united two sevenths of the school money -

Voted To appropriate one seventh of the school money to Each of the said districts as they formerly stood

Voted to dissolve this meeting
William R. Cole } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford duly qualified to vote for town Officers and in Town affairs held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said Town on Wednesday the 24th day of May A.D. 1865

Chose William R. Kimball Moderator

Voted Not to adopt a motion which was made to pay & refund any money which had already been paid and applied by the Town, or contributed by Individuals in aid of, and for the purpose of filling its quotas, or furnishing men for the Southern Rebellion under any requisition, or orders, or call of the President or of the war department of the United States during the year 1864 provided that those persons

who put in substitutes shall not be entitled to receive of the Town any money paid by them in lieu of the bounties paid by the State of Massachusetts or of the United States

Voted To Dissolve the Meeting

William R. Cole Town Clerk

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Buxford duly qualified to vote in Town affairs held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said Town on Thursday the Eighth day of June A.D. 1865

Chose John K. Cole Moderator

Voted Not to pay and refund to any Individuals in this Town, such sums of Money as said Individuals have contributed and actually paid, for the purpose of furnishing recruits for the Military and naval service of the United States, and for the purpose of filling the quotas under any call or order of the President, or war department of the United States, during the year 1864

Voted To dissolve the meeting

William R. Cole Town Clerk

1865

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified to vote for State County and Town officers held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said Boxford on Tuesday the Seventh day of November A.D. 1865 for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen for a Governor and Lieut Governor of this Commonwealth, for Secretary, Treasurer Auditor and Attorney General of this Commonwealth, for a Representative to Congress for the sixth Congressional District in Massachusetts to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Daniel W. Gooch, for two years from the fourth day of March last.

Also for Sheriff for the County of Essex for a Councillor and for District Attorney for the Essex district, for three Commissioners of Insolvency, for a County Commissioner and two Special Commissioners, for a Senator for the third Essex Senatorial District, and for a Representative to the General Court for the twentieth district

Under a call of the Selectmen for votes for a Town Clerk Pro. Tem. (the Clerk being absent)

Chose Wm E Killam } Clerk Pro. Tem.

Voted At the expiration of two hours from the opening of the Polls that the Poll be closed

The whole number of ballots given in were Seventy

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were as follows viz.

1865

"For Governor

| | |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Alexander H Bullock of Worcester | Fifty four |
| Darius N Couch of Taunton | Fifteen |

For Lieut. Governor

| | |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| William Claflin of Newton | Fifty four |
| Thomas F Plunkett of Pittsfield | Fifteen |

For Secretary of State

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| Oliner Warner of Northampton | Fifty four |
| S. C. Lamb of Greenfield | Fifteen |

For Treasurer and Receiver General

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|------------------------------|------------|
| Jacob H Loud of Plymouth | Fifty four |
| Thomas C Amoury jr of Boston | Fifteen |

For Attorney General

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| Chester I Reed of Taunton | Fifty four |
| H. L. Parker of Cambridge | Fifteen |

For Auditor

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| Henry S Briggs of Pittsfield | Fifty four |
| A. F. Derereaux of Salem | Fifteen |

For Representative to Congress 6th District

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| Nathaniel P Banks of Waltham | Fifty one |
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For Councillor, District No 2.

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|----------------------------------|------------|
| Benjamin Evans of Salisbury | Fifty four |
| William Nutting jr of Marblehead | Fifteen |

For Senator 3.^d Essex District

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| George Foster of Andover | Fifty three |
| James R Nichols of Haverhill | Fifteen |

For County Commissioner

| | |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Abram D Waitt of Ipswich | Fifty five |
| Nathaniel Shatswell of Ipswich | Fifteen |

1865

For Sheriff

Horatio G Herrick of Sanguis Fifty two
 Moses Tenney of Georgetown Fifteen
 James Carey of Lawrence, One

For District Attorney

Benjamin H Smith of Gloucester Fifty one
 Alfred A Abbott of South Danvers Seventeen

For Special Commissioners

Nathaniel H Griffith of Groveland Fifty four
 Moses T Whittier of Rowley Fifty four
 Ebenezer Payne of Sanguis Fifteen
 William C Binney of Amesbury Fifteen

For Commissioners of Insolvency

William Howland of Lynn Fifty four
 Nathaniel J Holden of Salem Fifty four
 Henry L Sherman of Lawrence Fifty four
 E A Ingalls of Lynn Fifteen
 John C Choate of Essex Fifteen
 H S Johnson of Newburyport Fifteen

For Representative to General Court District 20

Henry Carter of Bradford Fifty four
 Nathan Munroe of Bradford Fifteen

Wm C Killam } Town Clerk
 } Pro. Tem.

1866

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Bofford duly qualified to vote for Town Officers and in Town affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said Town on Monday the Fifth day of March A D 1866.

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| Chose | Nathan Towne | } Moderator. |
| " | Roscoe W. Gage | } Town Clerk. |
| " | Ancill Dorman John F. Kimball Oliver P. Killam | } Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of Poor |
| " | William E. Killam Jonathan J. Porter | } Constables. |
| " | Isaac Hale John N. Towne Daniel W. Conant Franklin Jaques Gardner E. Kimball William R. Kimball | } Tything Men |
| " | Moses Dorman Esq. George Perley Joseph N. Pope Daniel Bixby Amos Stevens Henry Barker Samuel B. Carleton William R. Kimball David M. Cole John Day Jr. | } Field Drivers |

1866

Chore

Edward Howe
 John K. Cole
 George Perley
 William R. Kimball
 Ephraim F. Cole
 Henry Barker

Fence Viewers

"

James P. Cleaveland
 Isaac Adams
 Samuel Andrews
 William R. Kimball
 Elijah Stiles
 Charles Perley
 John L. Killam
 James M. Carr
 Henry A. Towne
 Henry James
 Horace Berry
 Peter Pearl
 Robert Anderson
 Israel Herrick
 Charles Q. Foster
 George B. Killam
 William J. Sarage
 Jonathan E. Foster
 Albert Perley

Surveyors

of

Highways

"

William Lowe
 Samuel Kimball
 Augustus Haynard
 Dean Andrews
 Joshua T. Day
 Jonathan J. Porter
 Israel F. Spofford
 Samuel N. Ayers
 Daniel F. Harriman

Surveyors

of
Lumber

1866

Chose

| | | |
|--------------------|---|----------------|
| William Lowe | } | Measurers |
| William J. Badger | | |
| Samuel Bixby | | of |
| Amos Stevens | | |
| Samuel Kimball | | Wood and Bark. |
| George B. Killam | | |
| Daniel F. Harriman | | |
| John Pearl | | |
| Albert P. Hovey | | |
| Israel F. Spofford | | |
| Joshua T. Day | | |

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| David J. Dale | } | Pound Keepers |
| Aaron L. Parker | | |

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| Edward Howe | } | Sealer of Leather |
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| Samuel P. Peabody | } | Auditors |
| William R. Kimball | | |

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| Roscoe W. Gage, for three years | } | School Committee |
| John F. Kimball for one year | | |

Voted

To pass over the remaining part of the 2^d Article

"

To suspend^{action} on the 3^d Article at present

"

Not to abolish the School Districts in this town

"

To take up the 3^d Article in The Warrant.

"

To allow each School District to choose their own Prudential Committee.

1866

Voted

To allow the Prudential Committee of Each School District, to contract with the Teachers for their respective Districts the Current year.

" To allow the several School Districts to divide their proportion of School Money as they think proper for the support of the Summer and Winter terms of School the current year.

" To alter the limits of the Fifth and Seventh School Districts in such manner as to set off the families of John F. Kimball and William H. Greenleaf from the Fifth to the Seventh District And the Selectmen are authorized to alter said limits by a line in the present division line between said Districts from a bound between the House of Samuel Morse and the east side of the road leading down the Grave Yard Hill, thence on the southerly side of the road to North Andover line, near the House of James M. Hubbard

" To accept the report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Boards

" To accept of the report of the Committee on School Funds

" To accept the report of the Auditors

" To allow a bill of charge presented by John F. Kimball for services as chairman of Selectmen Assessors Overseers of the Poor the past year including cash paid for Stamps Postage and Stationary \$101.29

" To allow a bill of charge presented by Benjamin S. Barnes for Services and expenses, as one of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year. \$59.00

1866

- Voted To allow a bill of Charge presented by Edward Howe, for Services as one of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, the past year \$30.00
- " That all bills against the Town, excepting the Selectmen's for their services, be presented to the Selectmen for allowance on or before the 20th of Feb. 1867
- " To raise One Thousand dollars for the support of Schools the current year \$1,000
- " To pass over the remaining part of the 14th Article of the Warrant
- " To raise thirty five hundred dollars to defray town charges the current year \$3500.
- " To raise one thousand dollars, for repairs and amendments of the Highways the current year
- " To take up the 24th article in the warrant
- " That the Taxes for the current year, be committed to the Collector on or before the 1st of October
- " That a discount of four percent be allowed on all taxes paid into the treasury before the first day of November, and two percent on all paid before the first day of december, and that all taxes be paid before the first day of Jan. 1867
- " To take up the Second article of the warrant.
- " To Choose a Treasurer for the current year.
- Chose Joshua T. Day } Treasurer
- " Joshua T. Day } Collector of Taxes

1866

Voted

That when the roads are encumbered with snow the Surveyors are instructed to break them out eight feet wide, and to allow for a man, and for a yoke of oxen each, twelve and a half cts per hour while employed under their direction while breaking out the roads.

" That three fourths of the Highway Tax be worked out previous to the first day of July next, and to allow for a man and for a yoke of oxen each, fifteen cts per hour, for a horse and horse cart, fifteen cts for an ox shovel, and for a Plough each twelve and a half cts per hour, and for a ~~ox~~ cart five cts per hour, while used on said highways

" To allow the Treasurer and Collector, fifty dollars for his services \$50.

" To accept the following list of names as Jurors

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|-------------------|--------------------|
| Solomon W. Lowe | Jonathan E. Foster |
| William E. Killam | Charles F. Kimball |
| William J. Sarage | William R. Kimball |
| Leverett S. Howe | Asa Kimball |
| Samuel P. Peabody | Alonso J. Henley |
| Albert Perley | John F. Wood |
| William Sawyer | Valorus V. Moulton |
| George B. Killam | Franklin Jaques |

" That the Selectmen be instructed to pay State aid to families of Volunteers, at their discretion and draw their orders on the Treasurer for same

" That the abatement of Poll Taxes, set to S. G. S. Morse, William B. Brown and Nelson Collins in list of 1864, and a tax of \$2.78 set to Asa K. Perley in list of 1862, and the Poll Tax set to Horace Moreland in list of 1863, be referred to the Selectmen for settlement

1866

- Voted That the Treasurer, pay the Interest, and ten percent of the principal of the Town debt.
- " To pass over the 23^d Article in the warrant
- " That the repairing of the Pound in the First Parish, be referred to the Selectmen.
- " That the Town pay the bounty of \$125. with interest on the same, to Willard P. Howe who was accepted as a Soldier from Boxford in March 1864
- " That the removal of Sidney Eaton, from the Insane Asylum at South Boston, to the Insane Asylum at Spewich, or to any other place, be referred to the Overseers of the Poor.
- " To dissolve this meeting

Roscoe W. Sage } Town Clerk

1866

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Boxford, in the county of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified to vote for State, County & Town officers, held in the vestry in the First Parish in said Boxford, on Tuesday the Sixth day of November A.D. 1866 for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen, for a Governor and Lieut. Governor of this Commonwealth for Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, and Attorney General of this Commonwealth, for a Representative to Congress, for the Sixth Congressional District in Massachusetts, for two years from the fourth of March next, also for Councillor, and for Clerk of the Courts, for Essex County, for a County Commissioner, and for a Senator for the third Essex Senatorial District, also for a Representative to the General Court for the Fifth District

Voted

At the expiration of two hours from the opening of the polls that the polls be closed

The whole number of ballots given in were one hundred and nine

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted, and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were as follows, viz

For Governor

Alexander H Bullock of Worcester Eighty four
Theodore H Sweetser of Lowell Twenty five

For Lieut Governor

William Claflin of Newton Eighty four
Horace C Lee of Springfield Twenty five

For Secretary of State

Oliver Warner of Northampton, Eighty four
 Luther Stephenson Jr of Hingham Twenty five

For Attorney General

Chester S. Reed of Taunton Eighty four
 William C Endicott of Salem Twenty five

For State Treasurer

Jacob H. Lord of Plymouth Eighty four
 Harvey Arnold of Adams Twenty five

For Auditor

Henry S. Briggs of Pittsfield Eighty four
 Arthur F. Descreaux of Roxbury Twenty five.

For Representative to Congress Sixth District.

Nathaniel P Banks of Waltham, Eighty two
 Frederick C Prince of Winchester Twenty five

For Councillor Second District

Benjamin Evans of Salisbury Eighty four
 James H. Carleton of Haverhill Twenty five

For County Commissioner

James Kimball of Salem Eighty five
 Jonathan Nayson of Amesbury Twenty five

For Senator Third Essex District

George S. Merrill of Lawrence Sixty one
 Charles J. Noyes of Haverhill Fourteen
 Moses Sterens of N. Andover Twenty nine

For Representative to General Court District 5

Joseph C Stacy of Groveland Eighty
 Elijah Clark of Groveland Eighteen

For Clerk of Courts

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| Asahel Huntington of Salem | Eighty seven |
| E. A. Ingalls of Lynn | Seventeen |
| M. M. Hawkes of Lynn | eight |

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

Roscoe W. Gage } Town Clerk

1867 At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Boxford duly qualified to vote for Town Officers and in Town Affairs held in the Vestry in The Second Parish in said town on Monday the Fourth day of March A D 1867.

Chose Wm R. Kimball } Moderator

" Roscoe W. Gage } Town Clerk

" John F. Kimball }
Ancill Dorman } Selectmen
Roscoe W. Gage }

" Wm E. Killam }
Gardner S. Kimball } Constables

" George Perley }
Daniel W. Conant } Tything
Samuel Bixby } Men
Franklin Jacques }
William H. Wood }
Alonzo J. Henley }

1867

Chore

Moses Dorman

George Perley

Daniel Bixby

John Sawyer

Wm J. Savage

Wm R Kimball

George B. Austin

Samuel B. Carleton

Oliver P. Killam

David M. Cole

Field Drivers

"

Wm N. Cleaveland

Israel Herrick

John F. Kimball

Fence Viewers

"

Wm E. Killam

Stephen S. Adams

Moses Dorman

Isaac C. Day

Daniel L. Runnels

George W. Chadwick

Augustus Hayward

Daniel Andrews

George Perley

Solomon W. Lowe

William Sawyer

Oliver P. Killam

Aaron L. Parker

John B. Twisden

Alonzo J. Henley

Eben Gould

Charles A. Barnes

Samuel Greenwood

Edward G. Batchelder

Surveyors

of

Highways

1867

Chose

William Lowe
 Augustus Hayward
 Elbridge V. Harris
 James B. Sawyer
 Joshua T. Day
 Albert P. Hovey
 Samuel Kimball
 Orrille Hovey
 Daniel Andrews
 Daniel F. Harriman
 Dean Andrews

Surveyors
 of
 Lumber

"

William Lowe
 Amos Sterens
 Samuel Bixby
 Elbridge V. Harris
 William J. Badger
 John Pearl
 Orrille L. Hovey
 Benjamin F. Peabody
 Thomas Sawyer
 Samuel Greenwood
 Daniel F. Harriman

Measurers
 of
 Wood & Bark

"

Henry W. Dale
 Aaron L. Parker

} Pound Keepers

"

John Hale

} Sealer of Leather

"

Wm N. Cleveland
 Wm H. Wood

} Auditors

"

John F. Kimball } School Committee for 3 years

Voted

to take up the third article in the warrant

"

To allow each school District to choose its own
 Prudential Committee.

1867

- Voted That the Town Committee contract with the teachers for the several schools in town the current year
- " To allow the several School Districts to divide their proportion of School money as they think proper for the support of the summer and winter terms of School the current year.
- " To accept the report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Boards
- " To instruct the Selectmen to erect a Guide Board near the house of David M. Cole with the names S. M. P. Mills, North Andover, & Hale's Mills Groveland.
- " To accept the report of the Committee on School Funds.
- " To accept the report of the Auditors.
- " To allow seven and one half cents per hour, as additional compensation, to the amount voted March 5th 1866, for labor in pathing snow the past winter and that all bills for pathing snow the past winter be referred to the selectmen for allowance.
- " To allow a bill of charge presented by Ancill Dorman, for services as chairman of Selectmen, Assessors, and overseers of the poor, including cash paid for travel, postage, stationery, Express fees &c. \$102.86
- " To allow a bill of charge presented by John F. Kimball, for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors, and Overseers of the poor, and for postage, Stamps, Stationery &c. \$62.50

1867

Voted

To allow a bill of charge presented by Oliver P. Killam, as one of the Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor. \$29.00

" To pass over the twelfth Article in the warrant.

" That when the roads are encumbered with Snow the Surveyors are instructed to break them out eight feet wide, and to allow for a man and for a yoke of oxen each, seventeen cents per hour, while employed under their directions, while breaking out the roads

" To raise the sum of one thousand dollars, for the support of schools the current year.

" That the school money be appropriated equally between the seven school Districts,

" To raise the sum of twelve hundred dollars for repairs and amendments of the highways the current year

" That three fourths of the highway tax be worked out previous to the first of July next, and to allow for a man, and for a yoke of oxen, each twenty cents per hour, for a horse and a horse cart, twenty cents, for an ox shovel and for a plough twelve cents, and for a cart five cents per hour, while used on said highways.

" To raise the sum of thirty five hundred dollars to defray town charges the current year.

" That the the Treasurer be instructed to hire from time to time, such sums of money as may be needed to pay state aid to such persons as are entitled thereto under the laws of the Commonwealth,

1867

Voted

To abate the Poll Taxes set to the following persons in list of 1865

John D. Bixby, Benjamin Fuller and Horatio N. Hill.

"

That the tax be committed to the Collector, on or before the first day of October next, and that a Discount of four percent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of November next, except School District taxes and Highway deficiencies, and two percent discount on all paid before the first of December next, and that all Poll Taxes be paid on Demand, and that all Taxes be collected before the first day of January next.

"

To Instruct the Treasurer to pay such sum of the Town Debt, from time to time, as he may have funds so to do.

"

To accept the following list of Names as jurors

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|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| W ^m E. Killam | Charles F. Kimball |
| Solomon W. Lowe | W ^m R. Kimball |
| Edward Howe | John T. Wood |
| Albert Perley | Valorus V. Moulton |
| Samuel P. Peabody | Franklin Jaques |
| Leverett S. Howe | Charles Berley |
| William Sawyer | George W. Chadwick |

Voted

To place the ^{Twenty first} 21st Article before the Selectmen for them to act upon and then bring it before the town for further action

1867

Voted To pass over the twenty third article in the warrant

" To take up the Second Article in the Warrant

Chose Joshua T. Day } Treasurer

" Joshua T. Day } Collector of Taxes

Voted To take up the twelfth article in the warrant

" To allow the Treasurer & Collector fifty dollars
for his services

" To Dissolve this meeting

Roscoe W. Gage } Town Clerk.

1867

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Buxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, qualified to vote for State, County and Town Officers, held in the vestry in the second Parish in Said Buxford on Tuesday the Fifth day of November A.D. 1867 for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen for a Governor and Lieutenant Governor of this Commonwealth, for Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor and Attorney General of this Commonwealth, for a Senator for the third Essex Senatorial District, for a Representative to the General Court for the fifth Essex District, Also for a County Commissioner County Treasurer, and a Register of Deeds, for Essex County.

Voted At the expiration of two hours and nine Minutes from the opening of the Polls that the Polls be closed.

The whole number of Ballots given were one hundred and seventy.

The whole number of Ballots were sorted, counted, and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were as follows, viz.

For Governor

Alexander H Bullock of Worcester Ninety one
John Q. Adams of Quincy Seventy Seven

For Lieutenant Governor

William Claflin of Newton Ninety two
G. M. Stearns of Chicopee Seventy eight

For Secretary of State

Oliver Warner of Northampton Ninety two
Charles Brimblecom of Barre seventy eight

1867

For Attorney-General

Charles Allen of Boston Ninety two
 Wm C. Endicott of Salem Seventy eight

For Treasurer & Receiver General

Jacob H. Loud of Plymouth Ninety two
 Harry Arnold of Adams Seventy eight

For Auditor

Henry S. Briggs of Pittsfield Ninety two
 A. F. Derieux of Roxbury Seventy eight

For Councillor 5th District

Roland & Usher of Lynn Ninety two
 J. P. Jones of Georgetown Seventy seven

For County Commissioner

Jackson B. Swett of Haverhill Ninety one
 Wm H. Huse of Newburyport Seventy eight

For County Treasurer

Allen W Dodge of Wenham Ninety two
 E. A. Ingalls of Lynn Seventy Seven

For Register of Deeds

Ephraim Brown of Salem One hundred sixty nine

For Senator 3^d Essex District

Julius A Palmer of Boxford Seventy three
 Moses T. Stevens of No. Andover Ninety two

For Representative to General Court 5th District

John F. Kimball of Boxford Sixty eight
 Roscoe W. Sage of Boxford Ninety Seven

Voted To dissolve this meeting
 Roscoe W. Sage } Town Clerk

1867

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Bofford, duly qualified to vote in Elections and in Town affairs, held in the vestry in the Second Parish in Bofford on Tuesday the 5th day of November A.D. 1867

Chose William E. Killam } Moderator

Voted Not to rescind the vote whereby the School Money was appropriated among the seven school Districts at the last annual meeting.

" To pass over the third article in the Warrant

" To dissolve the meeting

Roscoe W. Sage } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Bofford duly qualified to vote in Elections and in Town affairs held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said Town on Tuesday the 12th day of November A.D. 1867.

Chose William R. Kimball } Moderator

" William R. Kimball } Auditor in place of
Wm N. Cleveland, resigned.

Voted to accept of the Report of the Selectmen in regard to laying out a road from the road near Porter's Mill to the house of Daniel F. Harriman, by request of Joshua T. Day & others.
Report

The Selectmen of the town of Bofford agreeably to the petition of Joshua T. Day

1867

and others have laid out a town way as follows
Beginning at a point in the road bearing
from the North west corner of Porter's Mill
North $21\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ East 16 ft

Thence from said point over Porter's Dam South
 $43\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ West 12 rods. Thence South $22\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ West 3 Rods
to the southerly end of the Dam, thence South 6°
West 17 Rods and 8 Links to a point in the road
opposite the south end of the shed at the small
barn of D. F. Harriman, thence from the south
west corner of said shed on the east side of the
proposed road, South $4\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ East 15 Rods 8 links to
a Pear tree by the wall a few rods Northeasterly
of the house of said Harriman laying all the
land into the road from said line Westerly to Mr
Harriman's Buildings and Fence.

This proposed location takes from Daniel F.
Harriman 122 Sqr. Rods of Land and requires him
to build 15 Rods 8 Links of Fence.

The width of the proposed road is about 21
feet over Porter's Dam and we have laid it out
three rods wide from the south end of said dam
to the south end of the shed, near the small barn
of D. F. Harriman.

We have awarded Mr Harriman for damages
One hundred and thirty dollars, and he is to remove
his Ice house, Trees and Fence before the first day
of April 1868.

We have also awarded Jonathan J Porter for
Damages Sixty Dollars.

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| | John F. Kimball | } Selectmen of Boxford |
| Boxford Nov 2 ^d 1867 | Ancill Dorman | |
| | Roscoe W Gage | |

Voted To pass over the Fourth Article in the warrant

" To dissolve this Meeting

Roscoe W. Gage } Town Clerk

1867

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Bofford duly qualified to vote in Elections, and in town affairs, held in the vestry in the second Parish in Bofford on Monday the 23^d day of December Instant

Chose

Gardner J. Kimball } Moderator

Voted

That District No 7 have one sixth of the School Money and on condition that the District shall maintain a school in what was formerly District No 5, the present winter, they shall have \$100 in addition for that purpose provided such school is opened by the 13th of January 1868 otherwise the money shall be divided equally among the ^{six} Districts. And in case such school is maintained the remainder of the money shall be equally divided among the other five Districts.

Voted

to dissolve the Meeting.

Roscoe W. Gage } Town Clerk

1868

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Boxford duly qualified to vote for Town Officers, and in Town Affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Monday the second day of March, A.D. 1868

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| Chose | John K. Cole | } Moderator |
| " | Roscoe W. Gage | } Town Clerk |
| " | Roscoe W. Gage | { Selectmen Assessors & Overseers of the Poor. |
| | Joshua T. Day | |
| | John Pearl | |
| " | Daniel S. Gillis | { Constable |
| | Wm R. Kimball | |
| " | Fredarick A. Howe | { Tything Men |
| | Joseph H. James | |
| | Daniel West | |
| | Franklin J. Agnes | |
| | Wm R. Kimball | |
| | David M. Cole | |
| | Charles A. Barnes | |
| | John Peabody | |
| " | Moses Dorman | { Field Drivers |
| | Richard F. Gurley | |
| | John Peabody | |
| | Eben S. Gould | |
| | John Pearl | |
| | Wm R. Kimball | |
| | Harrison O. Ross | |
| | Charles O. Foster | |
| | Oliver P. Killam | |
| | Daniel Bixby | |

1868

chose

Ancill Dorman
 Charles A Barnes
 Joshua T. Day

} Fence Viewers.

"

John Peabody
 Charles A Spofford
 Samuel Andrews
 George B. Killam
 George B. Austin
 W^m E. Perley
 John Day jr.
 John Sawyer
 Daniel Andrews
 Henry A Towne
 Joseph H. James
 Elbridge N. Harris
 John F. Kimball
 Albert P. Hovey
 Israel Herrick
 Alonzo J. Henley
 W^m J. Sarage
 Nelson B. Odwell
 Samuel Perley 2^d

Surveyors

of

Highways

"

Augustus Hayward
 William Lowe
 Dean Andrews
 Samuel Kimball
 Elbridge N. Harris
 Joshua T. Day
 Daniel F. Harriman
 John Pearl
 Daniel Andrews
 James B. Sawyer
 Albert P. Hovey

Surveyors

of

Lumber

1868

Chose

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| Samuel Bixby | } | Measurers of Wood and Bark |
| William Lowe | | |
| Elbridge V Harris | | |
| Amos Sterens | | |
| Edward Howe | | |
| Joshua T. Day | | |
| William J. Badger | | |
| James Carleton | | |
| Daniel F. Harriman | | |
| John Pearl | | |
| David M. Cole | | |

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Walter French
Aaron L. Parker

} Pound Keepers

"

John Hale

} Dealer of Leather

"

John Peabody
Wm R. Kimball

} Auditors

"

Thomas P. Dorman } School Committee for 3 years

Voted

To take up the third Article in the warrant

"

To allow each School District to choose its own Prudential Committee

"

To allow each Prudential Committee to contract with the teachers for their respective schools the current year.

"

To allow the several school Districts to divide their proportion of the School Money as they may think best for the support of the Summer and Winter terms of school.

"

To direct the Town Clerk to collect what information can be obtained and fill out the Rebellion

1868

Record, according to the design of the Law.

- Voted To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Boards
- " To accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds
- " To accept the Report of the Auditors.
- " To Allow a bill of charge, presented by John F. Kimball for services as chairman of Selectmen, Assessors, & Overseers of the Poor the past year, including cash paid for Stationary Postage &c. \$100.00
- " To allow a bill of charge presented by Ancil Dorman for services as one of the selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the poor the past year also cash paid for Postage Travel &c \$50.86
- " To allow a bill of charge presented by Roscoe W. Gage for Services as one of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor including cash paid for Postage, Express Fees &c. \$39.50
- Voted That all bills against the town excepting the Selectmen's for their Services, be presented to the Selectmen for Allowance on or before the Twentieth of Feb 1869.
- " That when the roads are encumbered with snow the Surveyors are instructed to break them out eight feet wide, and to allow for a man and for a yoke of oxen each fifteen cents per hour while employed under their direction in breaking out the roads.
- Voted to pass over the twelfth article in the warrant

1868

Voted

To raise / one thousand dollars for the support of Schools the current year. \$1000

" To divide the school Money equally among the six School Districts.

" To raise the sum of twelve hundred dollars for repairs and amendments of the Highways the current year

" That three fourths of the Highway tax be worked out previous to the first day of July next, and to allow for a man, and for a yoke of oxen each, twenty cents per hour, for a horse and horse-cart twenty cents per hour for an ox-shovel and a plough each twelve cents, and for a cart five cents per hour while used on said Highways

" To raise the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the Town the current year.

" That the Taxes be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of October next, and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of November next except School District taxes and Highway deficiencies, and two per cent discount on all paid before the first day of December next, that all Poll Taxes be paid on demand and that all Taxes be paid before the first day of January next.

" To pass over the eighteenth Article of the warrant

" To abate the tax set to Edward Bowell, and the Poll taxes set to Benjamin Dudley, Joseph O. Hildreth and Hervey M. Spofford in Collector Day's list of 1866

" To Instruct the Treasurer to pay the sum of one thousand dollars of the Town Debt before the first of April next

Voted that the District formed by the union of the fifth and seventh School Districts, shall take the name of the seventh school District.

Voted To take up the eighteenth article in the Warrant

" To accept the following list of names as Jurors.

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| John Arerill | Stephen S. Adams |
| Daniel W. Conant | Oliver P. Killam |
| Andrew Frame | John Pearl |
| Joseph H. Jones | Harrison O. Ross |
| George Perley | William H. Wood |
| Samuel Twisden | Gardner S. Kimball |
| Leverett S. Howe | Francis C. Whittier |

" To take up the twelfth Article in the Warrant

" To adopt the Laws on the Statute Book in regard to fishing in the Ponds and Streams of this town and to choose a committee of ten to carry these laws into effect

Chose

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|--------------------|------------------------------|
| Oliver P. Killam | Ebenezer Hooper |
| Charles C. Stevens | David M. Cole |
| Elijah Stiles | Wm R. Kimball |
| John W. Brown | Daniel West |
| John Hale | Samuel Perley 2 ^d |

as that committee.

Voted to take up the Second Article in the Warrant

Chose Joshua T. Day } Treasurer

" Joshua T. Day } Collector of Taxes.

Voted To allow the Treasurer and Collector ^{for his services} the sum of fifty dollars,

Voted that this Meeting be dissolved
Roscoe W. Gage } Town Clerk

1868

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Boxford duly qualified to vote in Elections and in Town affairs held in the vestry in the first Parish in Boxford on Monday the sixth day of July 1868.

Chose John K. Cole } Moderator

Voted That a committee of three be chosen to answer to, and defend the town against the Petition of Jonathan J. Porter.

" That the Selectmen be that committee.

" To dissolve the Meeting.

Roscoe W. Gage } Town Clerk.

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in town affairs held in the vestry in the first Parish in Boxford on Tuesday the eighteenth day of August 1868

Chose Ancill Dorman } Moderator.

Voted That there be a committee of three chosen to oppose the laying out of a road petitioned for by N. W. Hazen and others before the County Commissioners at their Meeting Sept 3^d

Chose Roscoe W. Gage
Dean Andrews
Benjamin S Barnes } Committee

Voted that the committee be empowered to employ Counsel if in their judgement it be thought necessary

" To dissolve the Meeting.

R. W. Gage } Town Clerk.

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Bofford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, qualified to vote for State, County, and Town Officers held in the vestry in the first Parish in said Bofford on Tuesday the third day of November A.D. 1868, for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen for the number of Electors of President and Vice President of the United States to which this Commonwealth is entitled, for Governor and Lieutenant Governor of this Commonwealth, for Representative to Congress from the Sixth District, for Councillor, for Treasurer and Receiver General, for Secretary of State for Auditor of Accounts, for Attorney General of this Commonwealth Also for Senator from the third Essex District, for a Representative to the General Court of this Commonwealth from the fifth Essex District for a County Commissioner and two Special Commissioners, for a Register of Probate and Insolvency, for three Commissioners of Insolvency, and for a District Attorney for the Essex District.

Voted

At the expiration of two hours and forty-two Minutes from the opening of the Polls, that the Polls be closed. The whole number of Ballots given in was one hundred and fifty.

The whole number of ballots were sorted, counted, and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were as follows viz.

For Electors of President and Vice President (at large)
 David Sears of Boston one hundred and sixteen
 John H. Clifford of New Bedford one hundred and sixteen
 Josiah G. Abbott of Boston Thirty-one
 John R. Briggs of Sheffield Thirty-one

For an Elector for District No One
 Richard L. Pease of Edgartown One hundred and Sixteen
 Josiah T. Jones of Sandwich Thirty one

For an Elector from District No two
 William Mason of Tanton One hundred and Sixteen
 Samuel B. Thaxter of Abington Thirty one

For an Elector from District No three.
 William Whiting of Boston One hundred and Sixteen
 James M. Keith of Boston Thirty one

For an Elector from District No four
 Frank B. Fay of Chelsea One hundred and Sixteen
 Edwin C Barnes of Chelsea Thirty one

For an Elector for District No five
 James N. Buffum of Lynn One hundred and Sixteen
 Jonathan Nason of Amesbury Thirty one

For an Elector from District No Six
 George Cogswell of Bradford One hundred and fourteen
 John H. Farbox of Lawrence Thirty one

For an Elector from District No seven
 J. Wiley Edmands of Newton One hundred and sixteen
 William F. Salmon of Lowell Thirty One

For an Elector from District No eight
 Paul Whitin of Northbridge One hundred and sixteen
 Leri Barker of Worcester Thirty one

For an Elector from District No nine
 Charles A Sterens of Ware One hundred and sixteen
 J. Otis Hale of Hubbardston Thirty one

For an Elector from District No ten
 Milton B. Whitney of Westfield One hundred and sixteen
 Henry W. Bishop of Lenox Thirty one

For Representative to Congress of the U.S. from Dist. No 6.
 Nathaniel P. Banks One hundred and fifteen
 F. O. Prince of Winchester Thirty One

For Governor of this Commonwealth
 William Claflin of Newton had One hundred and fifteen
 John L. Adams of Quincy Thirty four

For Lieutenant Governor
 Joseph Tucker of Lenox One hundred and fifteen
 Reuben Noble of Westfield Thirty three

For Secretary of State
 Oliver Warner of Northampton One hundred and sixteen
 Charles Brimblecomb of Barre Thirty three

For Attorney General
 Charles Allen of Greenfield One hundred and sixteen
 William C. Endicott of Salem Thirty three

For Treasurer and Receiver General
 Jacob H. L. L. L. of Plymouth One hundred and sixteen
 Harry Arnold of Adams Thirty three

For Auditor of Accounts
 Henry S. Briggs of Pittsfield One hundred and sixteen
 A. F. Derwent of Roxbury Thirty three

For Councillor Fifth District
 Roland G. Usher of Lynn One hundred and sixteen
 Jeremiah P. Jones of Georgetown Thirty three

For Special Commissioners
 Amos Poor jr of West Newbury One hundred and sixteen
 Daniel W. Bartlett of Essex One hundred and sixteen
 John C. Choate of Essex Thirty three
 Mark Jewett of Rowley Thirty three

For County Commissioner
 Charles P. Preston of Danvers One hundred and ^{fifteen}
 Charles Kimball of Ipswich Thirty four

For District Attorney
 A. A. Abbott of Peabody Six
 Edgar J. Sherman of Lawrence One hundred and ^{nine}
 S. Edwin Ireson of Lynn Thirty two

For Senator from third Essex District
 Julius A. Palmer of Bofford Ninety nine
 Charles Ingalls of Methuen Thirty nine

For Representative to General Court from fifth Essex Dist.
 John E. Barnes of Georgetown One hundred and six
 Charles P. Lowe of Georgetown Thirty five
 Edmund Bailey of Georgetown One

For Commissioners of Insolvency

~~For Register of Probate and Insolvency~~

William P. Upham of Salem One hundred and sixteen
 William E. Thompson of Lawrence One hundred and sixteen
 William E. Currier of Newburyport One hundred and sixteen
 Nathaniel Pierce of Newburyport Thirty three
 John W. Russell of Salem Thirty three
 Minot Tirrell Jr of Lynn Thirty three

For Register of Probate and Insolvency
 Abner C. Goodale Jr. of Salem One hundred and eight
 Abner C. Goodale of Salem eight
 James H. Carleton of Haverhill Thirty three

For Sheriff of County of Essex
 Horatio E. Herrick of Lawrence One hundred and sixteen
 William Nutting Jr. of Marblehead Thirty three

Voted

that this meeting be dissolved

R. W. Gage } Town Clerk.

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1869

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified to vote for State County and Town Officers held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said Bofford on Monday the Eighteenth day of January A.D. 1869 for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen for a Representative to the General Court of this Commonwealth for the 5th Essex District to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Capt John L Barnes.

Under a call of the Selectmen for votes for a Town Clerk Pro Tem (the Clerk being absent)

Chose Wm E Killam } Clerk Pro. Tem.

Voted At the expiration of two hours after the opening of the Polls that the Polls be closed

The whole number of ballots given in were Forty three

The whole number of ballots were sorted, counted and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were as follows Viz:

For Representative to General Court
 O S Butler of Georgetown Thirty
 Charles P. Low " " Thirteen

Voted To dissolve this meeting

Wm E Killam } Clerk
 Pro Tem

1869

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford qualified to vote for town officer and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said Bofford on Monday the Eighteenth day of January A.D. 1869

Chose Benjamin S Barnes } Moderator

" Wm E Killam } Clerk Pro. Tem

Voted To Choose a Committee of three persons to attend to the letting out of the road petitioned for by J L Shofford and others

Chose John F Kimball } Committee
William R Kimball }
Benjamin S Barnes }

Voted To choose a Committee of three to attend to the working of the road petitioned for by N W Hazen and others

Chose Joshua T Day } Committee
Jefferson Kimball }
George Perley }

Voted To dissolve this Meeting

Wm E Killam } Clerk Pro. Tem.

1869

At a legal Meeting of the qualified voters in Boyford
held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in Said Town
on Monday the first day of March at ten o'clock A. M.
A. D. 1869

chose George W. Chadwick } Moderator

chose William R Kimball } Clerk
chose

George W Chadwick }
William E. Killam } Selectmen
John K. Cole }

chose John Peabody } Constables
William R Kimball }

chose Daniel W Conant }
William R Howe } Tything Men
Charles A. Barnes }
Franklin Jagnith }
Israel F Spofford }
Asa Kimball }
John Peabody }

chose Thomas P. Dorman }
Andrew Frame }
John Peabody } Field Drivers
Joseph N Pope } Appointed by the Selectmen
~~Charles R Anderson~~ } James Carleton in place of
John Pearl } Charles R Anderson
Oliver P. Killam }
Daniel Bixby }
Asa Kimball }

Voted that these officers be brought in on one ballot
Voted that this committee consist of three
chose George W. Chadwick }
William E Killam } Fence Viewers
John K Cole }

1869

chose

Voted to Choose Surveyors of Highways

James P. Cleaveland

Israel F. Spofford

~~Ancill Dorman~~

Francis Curtis

George Pearl

Charles Perley

John K. Cole

Daniel Andrews

George Perley

Solomon W. Lowe

Samuel Kimball

Ephraim F. Cole

Franklin J. Agnith

Israel Herrick

Benjamin S. Barnes

~~Benjamin French~~

Augustus M. Perley

Henry Barker

Nathan K. Fowler

Appointed by the Selectmen
Jefferson Kimball in
place of A. Dorman

Surveyors of Highways

Appointed by the Selectmen
Joseph B. Adams in place
of Benjamin French

chose

Samuel Kimball

} School Committee

chose

Augustus Hayward

William Lowe

Andrew Frame

William Sawyer

W. W. Whittimore

Joshua T. Day

Daniel F. Harriman

John Pearl

Jobe H. Frame

Benjamin F. Peabody

Arrille L. Hovey

Samuel Kimball

Surveyors of Lumber

chose

Nathaniel S. Spiller

Arrill L. Hovey

} Pound Keepers

1869

chose Amos Sterens
 John Peabody
 William Lowe
 Jefferson Kimball
 Charles A Barnes
 Joshua T Day
 William J. Badger
 James Carlet
 Daniel F Harriman
 William R Wilkins
 Israel F Spofford
 W W Whittimore

} Measurers of Wood & Bark

chose John Hale } Sealer of Leather

chose Benjamin S. Barnes } Auditors
 William H Wood

chose Francis Curtis
 Ebenezer L Hooper
 William E Killam
 David M Cole
 Elijah Stiles
 Oliver P. Killam

} Fish Wardens

chose Joshua T Day } Treasurer & Collector

Voted not to abolish the School Districts

Voted to Divide the House on the Subject, Lost

Voted That the Prudential Committee be allowed to
 Contract with the Teachers.

Voted To take up the Sixth Article

Voted That the Several School Districts be allowed to
 Divide their School money as they may think
 best for the Winter and Summer terms of School

1869

Voted to accept the Guideboard Report without reading

Voted To accept the Report of the fund Committee and that the names of those holding the money be not read

Voted To pass over the auditors Report without reading

Voted to take up the tenth article

Voted To pass over this article for the Present

Voted To take up the eleventh Article

Voted That all bills of the Town be brought before the Selectmen for allowance on or before the 20 day of Feb and that the Selectmen bills be brought before the Town for allowance

Voted To pass over the article in regard to the Fish Article

Voted to adopt the same rule as adopted last year

Voted To raise twelve Hundred Dollars the present year for the Support of School

Voted to raise one thousand Dollars for the amendments of Highways the present year

Voted to raise two hundred Dollars in addition to the one thousand already raised

Voted To adopt the same method as we had last year in regard to compensation for working on Highways

Voted to raise twelve Hundred Dollars for the Support of Schools the present year

Voted to an additional some of three Hundred Dollars to the twelve hundred already raised Making \$15.00.00

Voted to raise the sum of four thousand Dollars the present year to defray the expenses of the Town the current year

1869

Collection of taxes be the Same Method as last year

Voted To accepte the List of names as Jurors

Voted that it be left with the Selectmen in regard to paying any part of the Town Debt

Voted to leave the care of widening the Road between the House of Henry Barker and the house of the Heirs of Benjamin Robinson to the Selectmen

Voted to abate the Poll Taxes set to Waldron Wymen in J T Days list of 1866 also the taxes set to Samuel M. Barker Frank Putnam and Waldron Wymen in Collectors Days list of 1867

Voted to take up the Second Article

Voted to choose a Treasurer and collector at the Same time on one ballott

Voted to take up the fourteenth articles

Voted that the Money from the town be divided equally between the Several School Districts

Voted to take up the third article

Voted that the following list of names of Jurors as made out By the Selectmen Feb 20, 1869

| | |
|------------------|--------------------|
| John Averill | Stephen S. Adams |
| Daniel W. Conant | Oliver P. Killam |
| Andrew Frame | Charles Perley |
| George Pearly | William R Kimball |
| Samuel Twisden | William H Wood |
| William E Killam | Francis C Whittier |
| Israel Herrick | |

1869

Voted To allow a bill of charge to Joshua T Day of ninety four Dollars and twenty cents Services as Selectmen Assessor and Overseers of the Poor 76.00
 Committee on care of J. J Porters case 15.00
 Stationary and Postage 3.20
 \$ 94.20

Voted To allow a bill of charge to the Estate of Roscoe W. Sage for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor \$85.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge to John Pearl for services as Selectman assessor and Overseer of the Poor including services in J. J. Porters case \$49.00

Voted to Dissolve the Meeting
 William R Kimball } Town Clerk

April 12, 1869 At a legal Meeting of the qualified voters of the Town of Bofford held in the vestry of the Second Parish in said town April 12, 1869

Chose John F. Kimball } Moderator

Voted To waive the reading of the warrant the second time

Voted To choose a committee of six Persons to apprise all of the Property and apparatus belonging to the Several School Districts and that this Committee shall be a Resident of each School District

Voted That this committee be choose by Ballot

Choose Thomas Sawyer Jefferson Kimball Charles C. Sterens } Committee
 William E Killam Joshua T Day Daniel F Harriman }

Voted To take up the third Article in the warrant

Voted To pass over the third article

Voted To take up the second article in the Warrant

Voted To accept the abolishing of the school Districts

Voted To Dissolve this Meeting

William R Kimball } Town Clerk

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of Bofford Qualified to vote in Town affairs held in the vestry in the Second Parish in said Town on Tuesday the Second day of November at nine o'clock A. M.

Chose William E. Killam Moderator

Voted To Chose a committee of one by Ballot to confer with the Council of John Manions and see how the case with him and the Town concerning the suit against said Town for labor in working the Road petitioned for by Thomas L. Spofford and others may be adjusted

Chose William E. Killam } Committee

Voted to pass over the article in Regard to setting Willows on the Road petitioned for by N. W. Hazen and others where the Road crosses Stripet Meadow So Called and all other places where it should be thought necessary by Request of George Perley

Voted to Dissolve this Meeting

William R. Kimball } Town Clerk

At a Meeting of the qualified voters of the town of Bofford held Nov 2^d 1869 by the call of the Selectmen for the purpose of bringing in there votes for Governor Lieutenant Governor of this Commonwealth for Councillor for Secretary of State for Treasurer and Receiver General for Auditor of accounts for Attorney General for Senator for the third District in the County of Essex for a Representative to the General Court of this Commonwealth for the fifth District in the County of Essex for a County Commissioner for Essex County all on one ballot

at the the expiration of two hours after opening the meeting it was voted to close the Polls

carried over

1869

The Whole number of ballots that were given in
Were one hundred and fourteen

The Whole number ballots were sorted counted and
declaration thereof made as by the Constitution
directed and were for the following Persons viz

For Governor

William Claflin of Newton had seventy three votes
John Quincy Adams of Quincy thirty nine
Edwin M. Chamberlain of Boston four

For Lieutenant Governor

Joseph Tucker of Lenox had seventy three
Samuel Q. Lamb of Greenfield thirty nine
James Chattaway of Springfield four

Secretary of the Commonwealth

Oliner Warner of Northampton had seventy three
John K. Tarbox of Lawrence " thirty nine
Stillman B. Pratt of Randolph four

Treasurer and Receiver General

Jacob H. Loud of Plymouth seventy three
Leri Haywood of Gardner thirty nine
N. W. Stoddard of North Bridgewater four

Attorney General

Charles Alton of Boston had seventy three
Josiah G. Abbott of Boston " thirty nine
Charles Cowley of Lowell " four

Auditor

Charles Endicott of Canton had seventy three
Phineas Allen of Pittsfield " thirty nine
Charles J. Goodwin of Haverhill four

Councillor for District No five
 Rolland & Usher of Lynn had seventy three
 Jonathan Nayson of Amesbury thirty nine
 Israel W Andrews of Danvers four

County Commissioner
 James Kimball of Salem had sixty
 Richard T Dodge of Ipswich thirty nine
 Fredrick D Burnham of New port four

Senator for third Essex District
 Julius A. Palmer of Boxford had sixty four
 Joseph S. Howe of Methuen forty two
 Jas Sydney Howe of Methuen three

Representative to General Court fifth Essex Dis
 Lenas C. Wardwell of Groveland had seventy three
 Jacob Carter of Groveland " thirty two
 Henry C. Rice of Groveland three

Voted That this Meeting be Desolved

William R Kimball } Town Clerk

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of Boxford
 held November 2^d 1869 in the Vestry in the second
 Parish in said Town

Choose William E Killam Moderator

Voted to choose a Committee of one by ballot to confer
 with Counsel of John Manzon and see if a
 compromise can be effected

choose William E. Killam } Committee

Voted To Dissolve this Meeting

William R Kimball } Town Clerk

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of Bofford
held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in
said Town on Tuesday the second day of Novem-
ber A.D. 1869

Choose George W. Chadwick Moderator

Voted to Choose a Committee of two to procure
Council to Defend said Town in a suit
Brought against them By John Manzon

Choose William R Kimball } Committee
Benjamin S. Barnes }

Voted That the Committee be instructed to Bring
the case to an issue as soon as possible

Voted that this Meeting be Dissolved

William R Kimball } Town Clerk
Bofford Nov 2^d 1869

1870

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of Boxford
held in the first Parish in said Town on Monday
the Seventh day of March A.D. 1870

Chose John K. Cole Moderator
Chose William R. Kimball } Town Clerk
Chose Ancill Dorman }
George W. Chadwick } Selectmen
Joshua T. Day }

Chose Joseph H. James } Constables
Alonzo J. Henry }

Voted To Choose Seven Tything Men in the first
Parish in Boxford

Chose Fredrick A. Howe }
Daniel Gould } Tything Men
Daniel West }
William J. Savage }
Samuel P. Gurney }
James P. Cleaveland }
William B. Howe }

Voted To choose two in the Second Parish
chose Frankli's Jaques
William R. Kimball

Voted To choose Six Field Drivers
chose Andrew Frame }
Moses Dorman Esq }
John G. Bailey } Field Drivers
James Carleton }
William R. Kimball }
Francis C. Whittier }

Voted To add one to the number all ready chosen
Chose John W. Brown

Choose

Surveyors of Highways

Humphry Perley
 Thomas Sawyer
 Valorus V. Moulton
 George W. Chadwick
 Richard K. Foster
 Daniel Andrews
 John Averill
 Solomon W. Lowe
 Horace Berry
 Robert B. Anderson
 William R. Kimball
 Israel Herrick
 John Hale
 Albert Perley
 James H. Nason
 Asa Kimball
 Solomon W. Howe
 Benjamin French

William Lowe
 John Parkhurst
 Samuel Kimball
 Augustus Haynard
 Samuel Bixby
 Andrew Frame
 Jonathan J. Porter
 Joshua T. Day
 Samuel B. Carleton
 Daniel F. Harriman
 Orrell L. Hovey
 John Day

Surveyors of Lumber

Choose Jefferson Kimball }
 Aaron L. Parker }
 Voted to choose twelve Measur-
 ers of Wood and Bark
 choose

Pinner
Keeper

Choose

John Hale }
 Sealer of Leather

Measurers of Wood and Bark

Samuel Bixby
 William Lowe
 William H. Wood
 John Pearl
 Samuel B. Carleton
 Daniel F. Harramond
 John Parkhurst
 Benjamin F. Peabody
 Amos Sterens
 Israel Herrick
 Joshua T. Day
 Samuel P. Peabody

Voted

To despince With Auditors

Voted

That the House be divided passed in the neg-
ative

Voted

To pass over the article of Fish Wardens

Voted

To Defer choosing Treasurer for the Present

Voted To choose a School Committee for three years
 choose William R. Kimball for three years } School Commit
 William S. Coggin for one year } Stee

Voted To take up the Third article

Voted That the Town approve of the action of the Committee
 on School funds in Regard to a Request to the Town
 of Joseph Foster and also of Mis Mary Kimball

Voted To pass over the Sixth article for the Present

Voted That all bills be Presented to the Selectmen for
 allowance but the Selectmens on or before
 the twentieth day of February 1871 and that
 the Selectmens bills be Brought before the Town
 for acceptance

Voted That the Roads be broken out as last year
 eight feet wide and that all bills be Brought be-
 fore the Selectmen and that no bill be allowed
 but those that are brought by the Surveyors of
 Highways, and that they be allowed fifteen
 cents per hour for a Man and fifteen cents pr.
 hour for a yoke of oxen and that all bills be
 presented on or before the 20 day of February 1871

Voted That the Town raise four thousand Dollars
 for the Expenses the current year

Voted To take up the ninth article of the Warrant

Voted To raise twelve hundred Dollars for the Support of
 Schools the Present year

Voted That the School committee be requested to divide the
 School Money equally among the Several Schools

Voted That the Town raise one Thousand Dollars
 for repairs and amendmnts of the Highways
 the current year

- Voted That the Surveyor of Highways notify every Man he has a tax against and give him Lawful notice and that he be allowed twenty cents pr. hour and if he refuses to or neglects work his tax that the Surveyor work the tax himself or hire hands to work said tax and return his list to the assessors on or before the first day of August
- Voted That the collection of taxes be let out to the lowest bidder
- Struck off to Joshua T. Day at two Mills on a Dollar
- Voted That all taxes shall be collected on or before the first day of January 1871
- Voted To take up the Second article
- Voted To choose a collector
- Choose Joshua F. Day } Collector and Treasurer
- Voted To choose six Fence viewers three in each Parish
- Voted To him by nomination
- Choose John K. Cole
William R. Kimball
William E. Killam
Joshua T. Day
Benjamin S. Barnes
John Barker } Fence viewers
- Voted To excuse Moses Dorman from serving as Field Driver
- Chose Daniel West in his Stead
- Voted To pass over the fourth article
- Voted To abate a Poll tax set to William B. Brown in list of 1867 also to Orville L. Hovey in list of 1868 Difficulty of High ⁵ also to William B. Blodgett in list of 1869
- Voted To Unite the third and fourth Schools in Bofford

Voted To Choose a Committee of three by Ballot residents within the Limits of those two Schools to look into the of removing this School house or devising Method that will be of importance to the Several Schools and Report at the adjournment of this Meeting March 28

Choose Charles C. Stevens }
Daniel Gould } Committee
Leverett S. Howe }

Voted To Build a School House for the Seventh School

Voted To Choose a Committee of three for the purpose of Building said House

Voted To take up Sixth Article
Choose Jonathan J. Porter }
Henry Barker } Committee
Benjamin S. Barnes }

Voted That this committee ascertain the probable cost and determine the size and how to build and locate said House and to ascertain as near as possible every thing of interest that may pertain to Building and cost of said House and report at the adjournment of this Meeting the 28th inst

Voted To allow a bill of charge to George W. Chadwick of ninety nine Dollars and forty nine cents for his services as Selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year \$99.49

Voted To allow a bill of charge to William E. Killam of Seventy five Dollars and Sixty four cents for his services Selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year \$75.64

Voted To allow a bill of charge to John K. Cole of twenty eight Dollars and fifty five cents for his services as Selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year \$28.55

The following is a list names of Persons Presented by the Selectmen and Accepted by the Town as jurors

| | |
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| Thomas Sawyer | John Barker |
| Solomon W. Howe | Elbridge Perley |
| George Perley | Charles R. Anderson |
| Daniel W. Conant | George B. Austin |
| Albert Perley | John T. Wood |
| Solomon W. Lowe | William H. Wood |
| Joseph H. James | John Averill |
| Daniel Gould | Israel F. Spofford |

Voted To adjourn Three weeks from to day the 28th inst at 12 o'clock M

Meet March 28 according to adjournment at 12 o'clock M

Voted That School Houses be open for Religious and Political Meetings after having obtained the privilege of the School Committee

Voted To choose a committee to take care of Each School House

Voted They be chosen by nomination

Chose

| | |
|------------------------|-------------|
| No 1 Thomas Sawyer | } Committee |
| 2 Cornilius Pearsons | |
| 3 Edward S. Batchelder | |
| 6 Joshua T. Day | |
| 7 Jonathan J. Porter | |
| 4 Charles C. Stevens | |

Voted That the Taxes be committed to the Collector on or before the first Day of October

Voted To take up the Nineteenth Article of the Warrant

Voted That the Selectmen be instructed not to Permit the holding of a Muster in Buxford the present year and That they be instructed not to sign any Document Permitting them to hold the Muster in said Town.

Voted To take up the 20th Article of the Warrant

Voted To leave the Matter of Repairing of the Road from the third School House in Bofford by the Alms house to Georgetown line near the House of Augustus Perley to the Selectmen that they view the Road and Report at some future Meeting

Voted To take up the 18th Article

Voted To take up the Sixteenth article

Voted To accept the Majority Report

Voted To Divide the House on the Majority Report decided in the affirmative

Voted To adjourn one hour

Meeting Meet according to adjournment

Voted To take up the Second article

chose George L. Reynolds Surveyor of Highways in stead of Valorus V. Moulton excused

choose William R. Kimball Constable in stead of A. J. Henley excused Robert B. Anderson Pound Keeper instead of Aaron Park declined

Voted To take up the 16th article

Voted To Build a School House for the Seventh School that will seat forty four scholars

Voted To appropriate The Sum of two Thousand Dollars for the Purpose of Building a house for the Seventh School in Bofford and that the Committee locate said house where they may think best Purchase the Land and Build said House and fence the Lot and dig a well and performe all the Required duties and all for two Thousand Dollars

Voted To choose a committee of three to Locate the School House for the third and fourth School - Choose Charles C Stevens Daniel Gould Leverett S Howe } Committee

Voted To Dissolve this Meeting

1870 At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford held March twenty eighth 1870

Choose Jonathan J. Porter } Moderator

Voted That the Committee chosen to defend the Town in the case with John Manyon be authorised to settle the case by reference or otherwise as they may think best for the interest of the town, or failing to settle to defend the case before the Superior Court

Voted to Move the fourth School House to a point as near the centre as a lot of land can be obtained at a Reasonable rate between the House of Charles C. Stevens and the House of Amos Stevens

Voted To Reconsider the vote last past

Voted To purchase the Lot of Land owned by Major W^m Lowe if it can be obtained and if not to purchase a lot as near as can be obtained at a Reasonable Rate

Voted To Dissolve this Meeting

William R. Kimball } Town Clerk

May 16 At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of Bofford held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said town on Monday the sixteenth instant of 1870

Choose Ancill Dorman } Moderator

Voted to pass over the first article in the Warrant

Voted the the committee be instructed to Build a School House for the Seventh School in Bofford one Story high without a Basement

Voted to dissolve this Meeting

William R. Kimball Town

1870

For Lieutenant Governor

Joseph Tucker of Lenox Sixty four votes
 James Chattaway of Springfield thirty eight

Secretary of State or Commonwealth

Oliner Warn of Northampton Sixty five
 L. Sterenson Jr of Hingham forty

Treasurer and Receiver General

Charles Adams Jr of North Brookfield Sixty five
 Levi Haywood of Gardner forty

Auditor of Accounts

Charles Endicott of Canton Sixty five
 Phineas Allen of Pittsfield forty

Attorney General

Charles Allen of Boston Sixty five
 William W. Warren of Brighton forty

Representative to Congress Dis No Six

Nathaniel P. Banks of Waltham Sixty five
 John K. Tarbox of Lawrence forty

Clerk of the Courts

Alfred A. Abott of Peabody Sixty Eight
 N. K. Fowler of Boxford one
 J. J. Porter of " one
 W R Kimball " " one
 Nathaniel G. Spiller " one

County Commissioners

Jackson B. Sweet of Haverhill Sixty five
 W. H. Atherton of Boxford one
 W. B. Howe " " one
 Richard S Dodge of Ipswich one
 F Jagues Boxford two
 W R Kimball " one
 N. A Moulton of Newburyport one

1870

Councillor for District No Six
 John F Harris of Marblehead Sixty five
 Israel W. Andrews of Danvers thirty eight

County Treasurer
 Allen W Dodge of Hamilton Sixty four
 John Hobbs of Ipswich thirty eight

Register of Deeds for South District
 Ephraim Brown of Salem one hundred and three

For Senator Essex District No three
 Nathan S. Kimball of Haverhill Sixty four
 Joseph S Howe of Methuen forty

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| The Vote For Representative for the District No 5 | | |
| Georgetown | | Boxford |
| Osgood 186 | | Osgood 62 votes Rep |
| Voyes 73 | | Jones 39 " Dem |
| Jones 57 | | |
| Groveland | | Boxford Novem 10, 1870 |
| Osgood 124 Rep | | William R. Kimball } |
| Jones 60 Dem | | Town Clerk |
| Voyes 25 labor R | | |

1871 At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of Bofford
held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said
Town on Monday the sixth day of March AD 1871

Chose Geo. W. Chadwick } Moderator

Voted To waive the second reading of the Warrant

Chose Thomas P. Dorman } Town Clerk

Chose George W. Chadwick }
Ansell Dorman } Selectmen
John K. Cole }

Chose Joseph H. Jones }
William R. Kimball } Constables

Voted To choose eight Tythingmen in the 1st Parish

Chose Frederick A. Howe
James P. Cleaveland
William E. Killam
Moody Perley
Amos Stevens
Daniel W. Conant
S. Frank Ayers
Daniel West

Voted To choose two in the 2nd Parish

Chose Franklin Jagues
Nathan K. Fowler

Voted To add Charles R. Anderson to the Board of
Tythingmen

Voted To choose six Field Drivers

Chose Francis Curtis
Andrew Frame
Joseph H. Jones
William R. Kimball
George W. Chadwick
Oliver P. Killam

1871

Chose

William E. Killam
 George B. Killam
 Benjamin F. Peabody
 Charles Perley
 John L. Killam x
 Daniel Andrews
 Henry A. Towne
 Joseph H. James
 John R. Webster
 Robert B. Anderson
 Samuel Rowe
 Israel Herrick
 Benjamin S. Barnes
 Edward G. Batchelder
 Jonathan J. Porter
 Joshua T. Day
 Moses Dorman
 Benjamin French
 Samuel B. Carleton

x Excused John Sawyer chosen

Surveyors of Highways

Chose

Voted

Chose

John Hale Sealer of Leather
 To choose twelve Surveyors of Lumber
 Solomon W. Lowe
 John Parkhurst
 Samuel Kimball
 Augustus Hayward
 Samuel Bisby
 Andrew Frame
 Nathan K. Fowler
 Jonathan J. Porter
 Joshua T. Day
 Samuel B. Carleton
 Daniel F. Harriman
 John Day

Chose

Frederick A. Howe
 Robert B. Anderson

} Pound Keepers

1871

- Voted To choose twelve Measurers of Wood and Bark
 Chose Samuel Bixby
 Solomon W. Lowe
 Isaac C. Day
 John Barker
 Samuel B. Carleton
 Daniel F. Harriman
 John Parkhurst
 Benjamin F. Peabody
 Amos Sterens
 Israel Herrick
 Joshua T. Day
 Samuel P. Peabody
- Voted To take up the third Article
 Chose John S. Sayward School Committee for three years
- Voted To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Boards without reading
- Voted To take up the 16th Article
- Voted To divide the house
- Voted That the 16th Article be indefinitely postponed
- Voted To pass over the 17th Article
- Voted To adjourn one hour
- Met according to adjournment
- Voted To take up the 21st Article
- Voted That the Selectmen be authorized to straighten the line of fence by land of Nathan K. Fowler at his request

1871.

- Voted To take up the 20th Article
 " To indefinitely postpone the 20th Article
 " To take up the 5th Article
 " To dispense with the reading of the last part of the Report of the Committee on School Funds
 " To accept said Report
 Voted That the Report of the Selectmen relative to the Receipts and Expenditures of the Town be read
 " To accept said Report
 Voted To take up the 7th Article
 Voted To allow a bill of charge to Ancill Dorman of one hundred and twelve dollars for services and cash paid as Selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year
- | | |
|----------------------|------------------|
| Services | 87.85 |
| Cash paid, Travel &c | 24.15 |
| | <u>\$ 112.00</u> |
- Voted To allow other bills beside the Selectmens to be presented for allowance
 Voted To allow a bill of charge to Jonathan J. Porter of nineteen dollars and eighty two cts for service as one of the Building Committee of the 7th School House in Bofford
- | | |
|---|-----------------|
| Journey to Groveland Georgetown Bofford | 3.00 |
| Drawing plan of said House | 5.00 |
| Making specifications of House | 7.00 |
| Journey to Lawrence for under pinning | 1.50 |
| Journey around Town | 3.00 |
| Paid to Henry Barker | .32 |
| | <u>\$ 19.82</u> |

1871

Voted To allow a bill of charge to Geo W. Chadwick of fifty two dollars for service as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year \$52.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge to Joshua T. Day of sixty one dollars and twenty five cents for service and cash paid as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year

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|------------------------------------|--------------|
| Services | 60.00 |
| Cash paid for Printing | .75 |
| Cash paid for Postage & Stationery | .50 |
| | <u>61.25</u> |

Voted To allow a bill of charge to Joshua T. Day of thirty four dollars and forty five cents for services and cash paid as Treasurer of the Town the past year

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|-------------------------|----------------|
| Services | 28.00 |
| Cash paid for Carfare | 4.20 |
| " " " Express fees | .50 |
| " " " Postage & Revenue | 1.75 |
| | <u>\$34.45</u> |

Voted To take up the 8th Article

" That all bills for service against the Town except the bills of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor be presented to the Selectmen for allowance on or before the twentieth day of February 1872

Voted To adopt the same measures as were last year adopted for breaking out the roads when encumbered with snow

Voted To raise the sum of \$1200.00 for the support of schools the current year and to divide the same equally among the several schools

Voted To raise the sum of \$4000.00 for Town expenses the current year

1871

- Voted To raise the sum of \$1000.00 for the repairs of Highways and Bridges the current year
- " To raise the sum of \$200.00 in addition to the above amount for repairs of Highways and Bridges the current year
- Voted That the money be expended in the following manner. That a man be allowed twenty cents per hour, for a yoke of oxen twenty cents per hour, a horse and horse cart twenty cents per hour an Ox shovel¹⁵ twelve and one half cents per hour a plough twelve¹⁵ and one half cents per hour an Ox cart five cents per hour while employed on the Highways
- Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of September
- Voted To let out the collection of the taxes to the lowest bidder
- Voted That all taxes be collected before the first day of November
- Voted That the Moderator let out the taxes to the lowest bidder. Struck off to Joshua T. Day for one half of a mill on a dollar
- Voted To accept the following list of names of jurors presented by the Selectmen

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| Augustus M. Perley | Daniel F. Harriman |
| Thomas P. Dorman | John Barker |
| Samuel P. Peabody | Harrison Q. Ross |
| John S. Saynard | Israel F. Spofford |
| Israel Herrick | Franklin Jagers |
| Joseph H. Jones | George B. Austin |
| Benjamin S. Barnes | Isaac C. Day |

1871

- Voted To excuse John L. Killam from serving as
Surveyor of Highways the current year
- Chose John Sawyer Surveyor of Highways
- Chose Joshua T. Day Treasurer and Collector
- Voted To pass over the 15th Article
- Voted To reconsider the vote whereby it was voted to
indefinitely postpone the 16th Article
- Voted To take up the 16th Article
- Voted Not to reestablish the School District system
- Voted To adopt the same action in regard to the hold-
ing of a Military Encampment in the Town that
was adopted last year
- Voted To pass over the 19th Article
- Voted That the Selectmen be authorized to purchase
one or more Gravel Pits for the use of the
Town in repairing the Highways
- Voted To choose two Auditors for the current year
- Chose William C. Killam
William H. Wood
- Voted That the Auditors make out their Report and
have it printed and circulated as soon as pos-
sible after the books are delivered to them
- Voted To choose three Fence Viewers by nomination
- Chose Thomas Sawyer, Amos Berry, William R. Kimball
- Voted To take up the 8th Article

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Voted That the Selectmen School Committee and all Town Committees chosen the current year shall present their bills to the town for allowance

Voted To reconsider the last vote passed

Voted That the Selectmen be authorized to allow the School Committee two dollars per day for services and a fair compensation for travel

Voted To dissolve this meeting

Thomas P. Dorman Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified to vote at elections and in Town affairs held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said Town on Wednesday the 2nd day of August A.D. 1871.

Chose William R. Kimball Moderator

Voted That the Resolutions offered by F. A. Howe be voted on separately

Voted That in voting on the Resolutions that the vote be taken by Yeas and Nays

Voted To reconsider the Vote last passed

Voted That the house be divided on the question relating to the acceptance of the Resolutions

Voted To adopt the First Resolution offered by F. A. Howe, viz "That it is not advisable nor desirable to have the 2nd Brigade or any other division of

1871 the State Militia encamp within the limits of this Town at any time during this year.

The vote was forty seven in favor of the above Resolution and twenty four against

Voted To adopt the following Resolution viz.
"That the vote passed at our annual Town Meeting held in the month of March in regard to encampments of the State Militia being held within our Town shall remain upon the Town record just as it was recorded at that time"

Voted To adopt the following Resolution presented by Amcill Dorman viz. "That in view of the evils that attended the Military Encampment held in Bedford in 1869. We the inhabitants of said Town, in Town meeting assembled, earnestly request the Governor & Commander in chief, not to issue any order authorizing the holding of such an encampment within our limits the present year"

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Thos P. Dorman Town Clerk

1871 At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of
 Boxford in the County of Essex qualified, as by the Con-
 stitution required, to vote for Civil Officers
 holden at the Vestry in the Second Parish in said
 Town, on the Tuesday next after the first
 Monday in November being the seventh day
 of said month in the year one thousand eight
 hundred and seventy one for the purpose of
 giving in their votes for a Governor Lieut-
 enant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer and
 Receiver General, Auditor of Accounts, and
 Attorney General, for the Commonwealth
 of Massachusetts Also for Councillor for District
 Number Five Also for a District Attorney for
 the Eastern District Also, for a Sheriff, Clerk
 of Courts, County Commissioner, two Special
 Commissioners, and three Commissioners
 of Insolvency for the County of Essex, Also,
 for a Senator for the Third Essex District
 Also, for a Representative in the General Court for
 District Number Five in the County of Essex
 All on one ballot

At the expiration of two hours from the
 opening of the polls it was
 Voted that the polls be closed

The whole number of ballots given in
 was One hundred and two

The whole number of ballots were sorted,
 counted, recorded and declaration thereof
 made as by the Constitution directed and
 were for the following persons viz.

For Governor

William B Washburn of Greenfield. Sixty four
 John L. Adams of Quincy Thirty five
 Robert C Pitman of New Bedford Two
 Edwin M. Chamberlin of Boston One

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For Lieutenant Governor.

Joseph Tucker of Lenox Sixty four
 Samuel O'Leary of Greenfield Thirty five
 Eliphaz Trask of Springfield Two
 Allen Dean of Westfield One

For Secretary

Oliver Warner of Northampton Sixty four
 Luther Stephenson Jr of Hingham Thirty five
 George S Bell of Upton Two
 Henry B Maglathlin of Duxbury One

For Treasurer and Receiver General

Charles Adams Jr. of North Brookfield Sixty four
 Levi Haywood of Gardner Thirty five
 John D. Baker of Beverly Two
 Henry T. Delano of Charlestown One

For Attorney General

Charles R Train of Boston Sixty four
 William W Warren of Brighton Thirty five
 Samuel T. Field of Shelburne Two
 George L Ruffin of Boston One

For Auditor of Accounts

Charles Endicott of Canton Sixty four
 Phineas Allen of Pittsfield Thirty five
 Ezra S Conant of Randolph Two
 George P Sanderson of Lynn One

For Councillor Fifth District

John F Harris of Marblehead Sixty four
 John W. Russell of Salem Thirty five
 J. W. Andrews of Danvers One

For Senator Third Essex District

Nathan S Kimball of Haverhill Sixty four
 John K. Tarbox of Lawrence Thirty six

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For Sheriff

Horatio I Herrick of Lawrence Sixty five
 William C. Binney of Amesbury Thirty five

For District Attorney Eastern District

Edgar J Sherman of Lawrence Sixty five
 Henry V Merrill of Haverhill Thirty five

For Clerk of Courts

Alfred^A Abbot of Peabody Sixty four
 Jeremiah P Jones of Georgetown Thirty five

For County Commissioner

Charles P Preston of Danvers Sixty four
 Benjamin A. Ward of Lynn Thirty five

For Special Commissioners

Aaron Sawyer of Amesbury Sixty four
 Nehemiah Burnham of Essex Sixty four.
 Robert W Burnham of Essex Thirty five
 Horace J Monroel of Lynn Thirty five
 Horace E Monroel of Lynn One

For Commissioners of Insolvency

William L Thompson of Lawrence Sixty four
 Dean Peabody of Lynn Sixty four
 W. J. Holden of Salem Sixty four
 John R Baker of Ipswich Thirty four
 John C Sanborn of Lawrence Thirty four
 Charles C Morse of Newburyport Thirty four.

For Representative Fifth Essex District

Leverett Hopkinson of Groveland Sixty three
 Mark Griffin of Groveland Thirty four
 Henry C. Rice of Groveland One

Voted

To dissolve this meeting

Thos P. Dorman Town Clerk.

1871

At a meeting of the Town Clerks of the Towns of Groveland, Georgetown and Boxford held at the office of the Town Clerk of Georgetown on Wednesday the eighth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy one for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the Election of a Representative in the General Court for the Fifth Essex District, the votes returned by the Officers of the said Towns were as follows:

In Georgetown

Leverett Hopkinson of Groveland had one hundred and nineteen

Mark Griffin of Groveland had Sixty eight

Henry C Rice of Groveland had Forty six

In Groveland

Leverett Hopkinson of Groveland had One hundred and twenty nine

Mark Griffin of Groveland had Fifty seven

Henry C Rice of Groveland had Twenty two

In Boxford

Leverett Hopkinson of Groveland had Sixty three

Mark Griffin of Groveland had Thirty four

Henry C Rice of Groveland One

Total

Leverett Hopkinson had Three Hundred and eleven

Mark Griffin had One Hundred and Fifty nine

Henry C. Rice had Sixty nine

Thos P. Dorman Town Clerk.

1872

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified to vote at Elections and in Town affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said Town on Monday the fourth day of March A.D. 1872

Chose John K. Cole Moderator

" Thomas P. Dorman Town Clerk

Chose Thomas P. Dorman }
George W. Chadwick } Electmen
William R. Kimball }

Chose Cornelius Pearson }
Isaac C. Day } Constables

Voted To choose two Tythingmen in the First Parish
Chose Francis Marden
Amos Stevens

Voted To choose one in the Second Parish
Chose Charles R. Anderson

Voted To choose six Field drivers
Chose Nathaniel Smith
Eben S. Gould
William J. Savage
William R. Kimball
John Pearl
Charles Perley

Voted To take up the 4th article in the warrant

Voted Not to accept the provisions of Chap. 158 of the Laws of 1871, providing for the election of Road Commissioners.

Voted To take up the 5th article

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Voted, To choose nineteen Surveyors of Highways for the present year

Voted That the Selectmen, on or before the fifteenth day of April next, apportion to each Surveyor such part of the amount voted for repairs of Highways, as they may think best, having regard as ^{far as} may be to the condition of the roads in each Highway district and it shall be the duty of each Surveyor faithfully and economically to expend the sum thus committed to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his district

Voted To allow the same compensation per hour for work to Surveyors of Highways and to such men and teams as they employ, as was last year allowed

Voted That the Selectmen be authorized to draw orders on the Treasurer for the amounts assigned to each Surveyor at such time or times as the Selectmen deem proper.

Voted To take up the 2nd Article

Chose Henry Newhall } Pound keepers
 Aaron L Parker }

Voted To choose sixteen Measurers of Wood and Bark

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| Chose | Amos Sterens | John Pearl |
| | Samuel P. Peabody | John Barker |
| | John Peabody | Ephraim F. Cole |
| | Samuel Birby | George Pearl |
| | John Parkhurst | Solomon W. Howe |
| | Augustus Hayward | Nathan K. Fowler |
| | Daniel F. Harriman | Samuel Kimball |
| | Thomas Sawyer | John Day |

Voted To choose six Surveyors of Lumber

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| Chose | John Parkhurst | John Pearl |
| | Samuel Kimball | Daniel F. Harriman |
| | Solomon W. Howe | Joshua T. Day |

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Chose John Hale Sealer of Leather

Chose William E. Killam
 Samuel Killam
 George Pearl
 Henry A. Towne
 John Parkhurst
 Ephraim F. Cole
 Benjamin S Barnes
 William E Perley
 Solomon W Howe
 Samuel B. Carleton
 George W. Chadwick
 John K Cole
 Daniel Andrews
 Joseph H. Jones
 Franklin Jaques
 Israel Herrick
 Augustus M Perley
 George B Austin
 Thomas L Spofford

Surveyors of
 Highways

Voted To choose three Fence Viewers

Chose Thomas Sawyer, George Perley, William H Wood

Voted To choose two Auditors for the current year

Chose William E Killam, William H. Wood

Chose William E Killam Treasurer and Collector

Chose William E Killam School Committee for three years
 Rev. Sereno D Gammonell " " " two years

Voted To take up the 6th article

Voted To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative
 to Guide Posts and Boards

Voted To accept the Report of the Committee on School
 Funds

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- Voted Not to reestablish the School District system
- Voted To allow a bill of charge to Georgell Chadwick of eighty five dollars for services as Chairman of Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, the past year including cash paid for paper and car fare \$85.00
- Voted To allow a bill of charge of One Hundred and seventy six dollars and twenty four cents presented by Julius A Palmer, being one half of the Tax assessed upon the estate of Stephen A. Bowles, of Roxbury, which was assessed and collected in Braintree \$176.24
- Voted To allow a bill of charge of seven dollars and ten cents presented by Oliver P Killam for repairs of Highways by order of the Surveyor \$7.10
- Voted To allow a bill of charge of sixty three dollars and fifty five cents presented by Ancill Dorman for service as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year including cash paid for Justices fees, Stationery Travel &c. \$63.55
- Voted To allow a bill of charge of twenty eight dollars presented by John K Cole for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year \$28.00
- Voted To raise the sum of Twelve Hundred dollars for the support of schools the current year
- Voted That the School Committee be requested to divide the money equally among the several schools
- Voted To raise the sum of One Thousand dollars for repairs and amendments of Highways and Bridges the current year

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Voted To raise the sum of Four Thousand dollars to defray Town expenses and charges the current year

Voted That the Town taxes be committed to the Collector within three days of the First of September and that they be collected before the First of November

Voted That a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid before the First day of October and a discount of two per cent on those paid before the First day of November

Voted To accept the following list of names of Jurors presented by the Selectmen

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| George B. Austin | Horace Berry |
| Franklin Jaques | Samuel P. Peabody |
| James H. Nason | John Parkhurst |
| Isaac C. Day | Thomas P. Dorman |
| Nathan K. Fowler | Peter Strout |
| Thomas L. Spofford | Daniel Bixby |
| John T. Wood | John L. Killam |

Voted That so much of the Highway tax as was assessed upon Bank Stock the past year be refunded to such persons as have paid said tax and abated to such as have not

Voted That when the roads are encumbered with snow the Surveyors be required to break them out eight feet wide and to allow for a man fifteen cents per hour and for a yoke of oxen fifteen cents per hour while employed under their direction in breaking out the roads and to present all bills for such service to the Selectmen for allowance before the twentieth of February 1873

1872

Voted That all bills against the Town excepting the Selectmens be allowed by the Selectmen and that their bills be presented to the Town for allowance

Voted That the Selectmen be instructed to use all their influence to prevent an encampment of the State Militia being held within the limits of this Town at any time during the current year

Voted To accept the Report of the Auditors

Voted That the School Committee be authorized to retain the Money unexpended upon the School on Spofford's plain and to expend the same upon the next Winters term of said school

Voted That the Committee appointed to move locate and repair the School House on Spofford's plain, and also the Committee chosen to build the new School House in the Second Parish in Boxford be required to make Report of their proceedings at the next annual meeting

Voted To dissolve this Meeting

Thos^d P. Dorman Town Clerk

1872

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford qualified to vote in Elections and in Town affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said Town on Friday the twenty ninth day of March A.D. 1872

Chose William R Kimball Moderator

In acting upon the second article in the warrant the vote was taken by a division of the house upon a motion made to reestablish the School District system: it passed in the negative. Forty three voted in favor of such reestablishment and Sixty three in opposition

Voted To pass over the third and fourth articles in the warrant

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Thos P Dorman Town Clerk

Appointment of Town Clerk pro tempore

In consequence of the sickness of Thomas P. Dorman the present Town Clerk of Bofford, which renders him unable to discharge any of the duties of said office the subscribers (in accordance with the provisions of Ch 18th Sec 48, of the General Statutes, hereby appoint Ancill Dorman Clerk pro tempore, to perform the duties contemplated in said section

Given under our hands at Bofford this thirteenth day of August A.D. 1872

Geo. W Chadwick } Selectmen

William R Kimball } of Bofford

The Clerk was sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of the office by William R Kimball Justice of the Peace

Clerk pro temp. Ancill Dorman
(A true copy Attest Ancill Dorman)

1872

Aug 24th At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boyford held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said Town on Saturday the twenty fourth day of August 1872

The Town Clerk being absent, the meeting was called to order by the Selectmen and in accordance with the provisions of Ch 18, Sec 47 of the General Statutes

Ancill Dorman was chosen Town Clerk
Pro tempore

The Clerk was sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of the office by William R. Kimball, Justice of the Peace

John S Sayward was chosen Moderator

Voted That Joseph Howe Esq the Executor of the will of the late J. Tyler Barker be requested to read the said will, a copy of which he accordingly read.

Voted To accept the provisions of the will of the late J Tyler Barker

Voted That a Committee of one be chosen to act in conjunction with the Executor in carrying forward the necessary measures to establish the validity of the will of the late J^{Tyler} Barker.

Chose E. F. Wood Committee for that purpose.

Voted To adjourn without day

Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk,
Pro tempore

1872

Aug 24, At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said Town on Saturday the twenty fourth day of August A. D. 1872

The Town Clerk being absent, the meeting was called to order by the Selectmen and in accordance with the provisions of Ch 18 Sec: 47 of the General Statutes (in such cases made and provided,

Choice of Clerk Ancill Dorman was chosen Town Clerk, Pro tempore

The Clerk was sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of the office by William R Kimball, Justice of the Peace

Chose E. F. Wood Moderator

Voted To choose a Committee of three, who shall serve without pay, to confer with the County Commissioners in regard to the Straightening, widening, &c of the road petitioned for by Joshua T. Day and others

Chose Daniel F Harriman }
Nathan K Fowler } Committee
Franklin Jagues }

Voted That the Committee be instructed to advocate the widening, Straightening &c of said road

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Ancill Dorman Town Clerk
Pro Tempore

1872

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bedford qualified as by the Constitution required to vote in Elections, holden at ~~the~~ Vestry in the First Parish on Tuesday the fifth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy two for the purpose of giving in their votes for the number of Electors of President and Vice President of the United States to which this Commonwealth is entitled, Also for a Representative in Congress from the Sixth Mass District - Also for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor of Accounts and Attorney General of this Commonwealth, Also for a Councillor from the Fifth District, Also for a County Commissioner Also for a Senator from the Third Essex District, ^{and} a Representative in General Court from the Fifth Essex District,

The Town Clerk not being present, Ancill Dorman was chosen Town Clerk pro tem and was sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of the office by William R. Kimball, Justice of the Peace,

At the expiration of two hours from the time the polls were opened it was

Voted

that the polls be closed

The whole number of ballots given in was one hundred and forty five

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted recorded and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were for the following persons viz

For Electors of President and Vice President at large
 Ebenezer R. Howar of Concord, one hundred and nine
 John M. Forbes of Milton one hundred and nine
 Chester W. Chaffin of Springfield twenty two
 Josiah S. Abbott of Boston twenty two

Electors

- District No 1 William T. Davis of Plymouth one hundred and nine
 " George Delano of New Bedford twenty two
- " No. 2 Harrison Tweed of Taunton one hundred and nine
 " James E. Carpenter of Foxboro twenty two
- No 3 Alvin Simonds of Boston one hundred and nine
 Charles A. B. Shepard of Boston twenty two
- No 4 Edward H. Dunn of Boston one hundred and nine
 Joseph Everdean of Chelsea twenty two
- No 5 Amos F. Breed of Lynn one hundred and nine
 Richard Frothingham of Charlestown twenty two
- No 6 Luther Day of Haverhill one hundred and nine
 John A. Bassett of Salem twenty two
- No 7 John C. Hoadley of Lawrence one hundred and nine
 William H. Clemence of Lowell twenty two
- No 8 Aaron C. Mayhew of Milford one hundred and nine
 Henry W. Muzzey of Cambridge twenty two
- No 9 Stephen Salisbury of Worcester one hundred and nine
 Isaac Davis of Worcester twenty two
- No 10 Levi Stockbridge of Amherst one hundred and nine
 E. H. B. Snow of Fitchburg twenty two
- No 11 Henry Alexander Jr of Springfield one hundred ^{and nine}
 Charles W. Knox of Chester twenty two

For Governor of the Commonwealth
 William B. Washburn of Greenfield one hundred and ten
 Francis W. Bird of Walpole thirty

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For Lieutenant Governor

Thomas Talbot of Billerica one hundred and ten
 William L. Smith of Springfield thirty

For Secretary of State

Oliver Warner of Northampton one hundred and eight
 George H. Munroe of Boston thirty three

For Treasurer and Receiver General

Charles Adams Jr of North Brookfield one hundred and ^{eight}
 Levi Haywood of Gardner thirty three

For Attorney General

Charles R Train of Boston one hundred and eight
 Waldo Colburn of Dedham thirty three

For Auditor

Charles Endicott of Canton one hundred and seven
 Patrick A. Collins of Boston thirty two

For Representative to Congress

Benjamin F Butler of Gloucester one hundred and eight
 Charles P Thompson of Gloucester thirty three

For Councillor Fifth District

Daniel H. Stickney of Groveland one hundred and eight ⁽¹⁰⁸⁾
 John M. Poor of Haverhill thirty four

For Senator Third District

Nathan W. Harmon of Lawrence one hundred and eight
 Frank Davis of Lawrence thirty three

For County Commissioner

James Kimball of Salem one hundred and seven
 Benjamin A. Ward of Lynn thirty four

Representative to General Court 5th Essex District

Charles Perley of Boxford Sixty

E. Frank Wood of Boxford Seventy three

Voted to dissolve
 the meeting.
 Ancill Dorman
 Town Clerk
 2nd term.

1872

At a meeting of the Clerks of the Towns of Georgetown, Groveland and Boxford, held at the office of the Town Clerk of Georgetown on Wednesday the sixth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy two, for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the election of a Representative to the General Court for the Fifth Essex District, the votes returned by the officers of the said Towns were as follows

In Georgetown

Charles Perley of Boxford had two hundred and forty
 E. Frank Wood of Boxford had one hundred and nineteen
 John Knapp had one

In Groveland

Charles Perley of Boxford had one hundred and eighty four
 E. Frank Wood of Boxford had ninety five
 Jacob Coggin had one

In Boxford

Charles Perley of Boxford had Sixty
 E. Frank Wood of Boxford had Seventy three

Total

Charles Perley had four hundred and eighty four
 E. Frank Wood had two hundred and eighty seven
 John Knapp had one
 Jacob Coggin had one

Arcill Dorman } Town Clerk pro tem

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At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of
Boxford qualified to vote at Elections and in Town
affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said
Town on Thursday the Twenty first day of November
A.D. 1872

Chose

William R Kimball Moderator

Voted

That the Selectmen be authorized to furnish a
book of blank forms of promissory notes for the
use of the Town Treasurer, printed in such form
as they shall approve. and that until further
action be taken by the Town it shall be the duty
of the Treasurer whenever it shall become ne-
cessary for him to issue notes for money hired
for the use of the Town, to make use of the forms
so furnished, and to use none other, and to fill
out the duplicates attached thereto in conformity
to the notes, and in no case shall he be author-
ized to issue a note without the approval of one
or more of the Selectmen expressed thereon

Voted

That the Treasurer be authorized under the direc-
tion of the Selectmen, to take up any or all notes
for the payment of which the Town is now liable
and as far as the Selectmen shall deem it
necessary, to issue to the holders thereof, new
notes upon the forms to be furnished him

Voted

That the Town Clerk be instructed to copy for
preservation and future reference from the
first Town Record book the Marriages, Deaths
and also the Intentions of Marriage therein
recorded; the Marriages, Deaths and Intentions
to be separately recorded either in alphabetical
order or as near as can be in the order of time,
and that the Clerk be authorized to procure a
suitable book for that purpose if necessary

Voted

That this meeting be dissolved

Thos P. Downman Town Clerk

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At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Bofford qualified to vote at Elections and in town affairs, held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said Town on Monday the third day of March A.D. 1873.

The Town Clerk not being present, the meeting was called to order by George W. Chadwick in behalf of the Selectmen and

Ancill Dorman was chosen Clerk pro tempore and sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of the office by Wm R. Kimball Justice of the Peace

The warrant for the meeting was then read by the clerk and under its first article the voters present

Chose John K. Cole Moderator

Attest Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk pro tem

After the proceedings above recorded the second article was taken up and

Ancill Dorman was chosen Town Clerk

Chose Oliver P. Killam }
Ancill Dorman } Selectmen
John K. Cole }

Chose Daniel S. Gillis }
William F. Harriman } Constables

Voted Not to choose Tythingmen

Chose Andrew Frame }
Edward G. Batchelder }
S. Frank Ayers } Field drivers
Wm R. Kimball }
J. J. Porter }
Geo. B. Austin }

Voted To take up the fourth article of the warrant

Voted To pass over the fourth article " " "

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The second article of the warrant resumed

Chose William E. Killam
 Samuel Killam
 Daniel L. Runnels
 Henry A. Towne
 John Parkhurst
 Oliver P. Killam
 Benj^m S. Barnes
 William F. Harriman
 Walter French
 Samuel B. Carleton
 Charles Perley
 John Sawyer
 Daniel Andrews
 Joseph H. Jones
 Franklin J. Agnes
 Israel Herrick
 Augustus M. Perley
 Asa Kimball
 Samuel Sias

Surveyors
 declined & S. W. Howe appointed
 of
 Highways

Chose Oliver P. Killam
 Ancill Dorman
 John K. Cole

Fence Viewers

Chose Amos Stevens
 John Parkhurst
 Samuel Bixby
 Andrew Frame
 John Peabody
 Daniel F. Harriman
 John Pearl
 Samuel B. Carleton
 Oliver P. Killam
 James Carleton

Measurers
 of
 Wood & Bark

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Chose

John Peabody
 Israel Herrick
 Solomon W. Howe
 John Parkhurst
 Samuel Kimball
 Andrew Frame
 Daniel S. Gillis
 Daniel F. Harriman
 John Pearl
 James Carleton
 John Day

Surveyors
 of
 Lumber

Chose

John Peabody } Auditors
 William H. Wood }

Chose

William E. Killam Treasurer

Voted

To suspend further action on the second article
 for the present

Chose

Rev Calvin E. Park School Committee for three years

Voted

To adopt the vote of last year in regard to repairs
 and amendments of Highways which
 was as follows

That the Selectmen on or before the fifteenth
 day of April next, apportion to each Surveyor
 such part of the amount voted for repairs of
 Highways as they may think best, having regard
 as far as may be, to the condition of the roads
 in each Highway District, and it shall be the
 duty of each surveyor faithfully and econom-
 ically to expend the sum thus committed
 to him in making the necessary repairs of
 Highways within his district.

Voted

That Surveyors of Highways and those under
 their employ be allowed as follows

For a man twenty cents per hour, for a yoke of
 Oxen twenty cents per hour, for a Horse & Horse
 Cart twenty cents per hour for two horses & a cart twen-
 ty five cents per hour, for an ox shovel and Plough each
 fifteen cents per hour and for

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an ox cart five cents per hour while employed on the Highways.

Voted That the Selectmen be instructed to view the roads and rail such portions of the same as they think necessary.

Voted To amend the Report on Guide boards by adding a board near the house of C. C. Stevens marked Lawrence

Voted To accept the Report on Guide Posts and Boards

Voted To accept the report of the Committee on School Fund

Voted To pass over the ninth article (Auditors Report not printed)

Voted To accept the Report of C. C. Stevens relative to the removal, location and repair of the School House now standing on Spoffords Plain.

Voted To refer the matter of ascertaining the expense of building the School House in the Centre of the Second Parish to the Auditors, to report at the adjournment of this meeting, or if there is no adjournment, to the next business meeting of the town

Voted To accept the following list of Jurors

| | |
|------------------|---------------------|
| Horace Berry | George B Austin |
| Samuel P Peabody | Franklin Jaques |
| John Parkhurst | James H. Vason |
| Solomon W. Howe | Isaac C. Day |
| Peter S Trout | Nathan K. Fowler |
| Leverett S. Howe | Charles A. Spofford |
| John L Killam | John T. Wood |

Voted To allow a bill of charge from Thomas P. Dorman for service as Chairman of the Selectmen, Assessors and overseers of the Poor the past year \$57.41
To cash paid for Travel Postage Stationery Express &c 37.81
\$95.22

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- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Scott Chadwick for service as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year \$80.00
To cash paid for Travel Postage Stationery &c 15.51
95.51
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by William R. Kimball for service as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year including cash paid \$56.75
For use of Horse and Wagon 12.00
\$68.75
- Voted To allow a bill of charge from R. B. Anderson for labor and cash paid in repairing Highway \$30.00
- Voted That twenty cents per hour for a man and twenty cents for a yoke of Oxen be allowed for pathing snow the past year and that the Selectmen be instructed to make up the deficiency to those persons who have been paid at the rate of fifteen cents per hour
- Voted To pass over the thirteenth article
" To pass over the fourteenth "
- Voted To raise twelve hundred dollars \$1200.00 for the support of schools the current year and that the money be equally divided among the several schools
- Voted To raise five thousand dollars \$5000.00 to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the Town.
- Voted To raise fifteen hundred dollars \$1500.00 for repairs and amendments of Highways
- Voted To raise three hundred dollars \$300.00 as a reserve fund to be drawn from if necessary, by the Selectmen in cases of deficiency or emergency, for repairs of Highways.
- Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector the first of September and collected before the first day of November

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- Voted That a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid to the Collector before the first day of October and a discount of two per cent on all paid before the first day of November.
- Voted That when the roads are encumbered with snow the Surveyor be instructed to break them out eight feet wide and that they allow a man twenty cents per hour a yoke of oxen twenty cents per hour and for a horse fifteen cents per hour while engaged in such service.
- Voted To pass over the twentieth article
- Voted That the unexpended money appropriated to any of the Town Schools the past year be retained by the School Committee for the benefit of such schools the ensuing year
- Voted To pass over the twenty second article
- Voted To pass over the twenty third article
- Voted To abate a tax of one dollar and six cents ^{\$}1.06, set to Ariel H. Gould in W^m E. Killams list for 1872
- Voted To take up the second ^{article} of the warrant
- Chose William E. Killam Collector
- Voted To take up the thirteenth article
- Voted That the Treasurer and Collector present his bill to the Selectmen for allowance
- Voted That the Selectmen present their bills to the Town for allowance
- Voted To Dissolve the meeting
- Attest
Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

1873

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Bofford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, held in the Vestry in the second Parish on Monday the fourth day of August A.D. 1873.

Capt John Peabody was chosen Moderator

Voted That the Selectmen be a Committee to let out and see to the working of the newly located portions of highway between the West Parish Meeting house and Bradford line, as ordered by the County Commissioners.

Voted To refer the matter of removing the Town Pound in the First Parish to the Selectmen with authority to take such action as they think best.

Voted To accept the report of the Auditors relative to the cost of the School house near the Meeting house in the Second Parish. Total cost as per report \$1891.08. exclusive of committees charges of \$82.39

Voted To pass over the 5th article of the warrant

Voted To Dissolve the meeting

Attest

Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

A legal meeting of the qualified Voters of the town of Bofford held in the Vestry in the Second Parish of said town on Tuesday the fourth day of November A.D. 1873

John Peabody was chosen Moderator

Widening of road near
The following was reported by the Selectmen.

We the Selectmen of the town of Bofford, having complied with the requirements of law in relation to notifying the owners of
Carrissa
Hoveys
land over which we were

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petitioned by William R. Kimball and others to widen a town way near the West Parish Meeting House, have widened the same as follows. Beginning at a stake near the northerly side of the old Hay Scales on the line of the road leading westerly to North Andover, said stake being six rods and twenty three links from the N. W. corner of the new School House, thence southeasterly one rod and six links to a stake, thence a little more southerly one rod and four links to a stake, said stake being one rod and seventeen links from the northerly Elm tree in Mrs Hovey's land, ranging to the southwest corner of the School house on the opposite corner of the road; thence a little more southerly twenty three links to a stake; thence a little more southerly one rod to a stake; thence a little more southerly nineteen links to a stake, said stake being two rods and sixteen links from a large stone at the end of the wall near the School house on the opposite side of the road; thence in a straight line eleven rods and twenty two links to the line of the road at land of Aaron L. Parker, the northerly and easterly boundaries of said road to remain as at present; And we have assessed the damages of Mrs Larissa Hovey at twenty eight dollars which includes the removal of seven rods and thirteen links of Bank Wall; and we have allowed her three months from this date in which to remove the same. All of which we hereby respectfully report to the town for its acceptance.

Dated at Boxford this twenty fourth day of October in the year 1873
 Ancill Dorman } Selectmen
 Oliver P. Killam } of
 John K. Cole } Boxford

Voted To accept the doings of the Selectmen in widening the road as above recorded.

Voted To dissolve the meeting
 Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

1873

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Boyford qualified as by the Constitution required to vote in Elections, holden at the Vestry in the second Parish on Tuesday the fourth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy three for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor of Accounts and Attorney General of this Commonwealth; a Councillor for the Fifth District; a Register of Probate and Insolvency; a Senator for the Third Essex District, and a Representative to the next General Court for District No Five: Also for a County Treasurer, one County Commissioner; and a Register of Deeds for the Southern District of Essex.

The polls were open at fifteen minutes past one o'clock and at fifteen minutes past three it was voted that the polls be closed

The whole number of ballots given in was Seventy two

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted recorded and declaration thereof made, as by the Constitution directed, and were for the following persons Viz

For Governor

William B. Washburn of Greenfield Fifty one
William Gaston of Boston Twenty one

For Lieutenant Governor

Thomas Talbot of Billerica Fifty one
William L Smith of Springfield Twenty one

For Secretary of State.

Oliver Warner of Northampton Fifty one
Benjamin F. Mills of Williamston Twenty one

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For Treasurer and Receiver General.

Charles Adams Jr. of North Brookfield Fifty one
 Nathan Clark of Lynn Twenty one

For Auditor of Accounts.

Charles Endicott of Canton Fifty one
 C. Osgood Morse of Newburyport Twenty one

For Attorney General

Charles R. Train of Boston Fifty one
 Waldo Coburn of Dedham Twenty one

For Councillor Fifth District.

Daniel H. Stickney of Groveland, Fifty one
 John S. Glover of Ipswich Twenty one

For County Treasurer

Allen W. Dodge of Hamilton Fifty one
 Daniel B. Lord of Salem Twenty one

For County Commissioner

Zachariah Graves of Lynn Forty nine
 Joseph S. Howe of Methuen Twenty two

For Register of Deeds Essex South District.

Ephraim Brown of Salem Fifty one
 Henry S. Putnam of Salem Twenty one

For Register of Probate and Insolvency.

Abner C. Goodale of Salem Fifty one (51)
 Jonathan Nason of Amesbury Twenty one

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For Senator Third Essex District.
 Nathan W. Harmon of Lawrence Fifty
 H. C. Bacon of Lawrence Twenty one

For Representative to General Court Fifth Essex District
 Joseph E. Bailey of Georgetown Forty nine
 Charles W. Tenney of Georgetown Twenty two

Voted To dissolve the meeting
 Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

Choice of Representative to Gen. Court
 At a meeting of the Clerks of the towns of Georgetown, Groveland and Boxford held in the office of the town clerk of Georgetown on Wednesday the fifth day of November A.D. 1873 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the election of a Representative to the General Court for the Fifth Essex District, the votes returned by the officers of the said towns were as follows.

In Georgetown

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-----|--|
| Joseph E. Bailey of Georgetown | had | Two hundred and ^{two} and ^{seven} and ^{fifty} |
| Charles W. Tenney | " | " One hundred and ^{fifty} |
| George H. Carleton | " | " Four |
| E. S. Daniels | " | " Three |
| T. G. Elliott | " | " one |
| John Q. Davis | " | " one |

In Groveland

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-----|-------------------------------------|
| Joseph E. Bailey of Georgetown | had | one hundred ^{and fourteen} |
| J. E. Bailey | " | " Twenty two |
| Charles W. Tenney | " | " Eighty four |

In Boxford

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-----|--------------|
| Joseph E. Bailey of Georgetown | had | Forty nine |
| Charles W. Tenney | " | " Twenty two |

And it was ascertained that Joseph E. Bailey of Georgetown was elected, and certificates were made out accordingly.

Attest

Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

1874

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Bofford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Monday the second day of March A. D. 1874.

Chose Thomas P. Dorman Esq Moderator

" Ancill Dorman Town Clerk

" Ancill Dorman
George W. Chadwick } Selectmen
Israel F. Spofford }

" Joseph H. James } Constables
William F. Harriman }

Voted Not to choose Tythingmen

" To choose five Field Drivers
Chose C. C. Stevens
Asa Kimball
William R. Kimball } Field Drivers
Andrew Frame
John B. Lake }

Chose Henry Newhall } Pound
Charles R. Anderson } Keepers

Voted To take up the fourth article of the warrant
" Not to accept the provisions of Chapter 158 laws of 1871. in regard to choosing Road Commissioners

" To resume the second article
Chose James P. Cleaveland
Andrew Frame } Surveyors
David M. Cole }
Cornelius Pearson } of
Samuel P. Peabody } Highways

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Chose

| | | |
|--------------------|---|----------------|
| Ephraim F. Cole | } | Surveyors |
| John Hale | | |
| J. H. Nason | | |
| S. W. Howe | | |
| Samuel B. Carleton | | |
| Charles Berley | | of Highways |
| John K. Cole | | |
| G. W. Twitchell | | |
| Joseph H. Jones | | |
| Wm R. Kimball | | |
| Israel Herrick | } | |
| Augustus M. Berley | | |
| J. M. Pearl | | |
| Samuel Sias | | |

Voted

To choose three Fence Viewers

Chose

| | | |
|-----------------|---|---------------|
| John K. Cole | } | Fence Viewers |
| Ephraim F. Cole | | |
| Daniel Gould | | |

Voted

To choose ten measurers of Wood and Bark

Chose

| | | |
|--------------------|---|---------------------|
| Amos Stevens | } | Measurers |
| Samuel Bixby | | |
| John Parkhurst | | |
| Solomon W. Howe | | |
| Daniel F. Harriman | | |
| John Pearl | | of Wood and Bark |
| Samuel B. Carleton | | |
| Ephraim F. Cole | | |
| William J. Badger | | |
| Israel Herrick | | |

Voted

To choose twelve Surveyors of Lumber

Chose

| | | |
|--------------------|---|---|
| Daniel F. Harriman | } | Surveyors of Lumber (remainder on next page) |
| Jonathan J. Porter | | |
| John Pearl | | |
| John Day | | |
| John Parkhurst | | |

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Chose

Solomon W. Howe

Andrew Frame

Israel Herrick

Stephen A Bixby

William Sawyer

James Carleton

William E. Perley

(see previous page)

} Surveyors of Lumber

Voted

To choose two Auditors

Chose

William E. Killam

William H. Wood

} Auditors

Chose

William E. Killam Treasurer

Voted

To defer the choice of Collector for the present

Chose

Rev. S. D. Gammonell, School Committee for three years

Voted

To adopt the vote of last year in regard to repairs and amendments of Highways which was as follows

"That the Selectmen on or before the fifteenth day of April next, apportion to each Surveyor such part of the amount voted for repairs of Highways as they may think best, having regard as far as may be, to the condition of the roads in each Highway District, And it shall be the duty of each surveyor faithfully and economically to expend the sum thus committed to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his District.

Voted

That Surveyors of Highways and those under their employ be allowed as follows.

For a man twenty cents per hour - for a yoke of oxen twenty cents per hour - for a horse and horse cart twenty cents per hour - for two horses and a cart twenty five cents per hour - for an ox shovel and Plough each fifteen cents per hour - and for an ox cart five cents per hour while employed on the Highways,

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- Voted That one half of the money appropriated for Highways be expended before the first day of June - three fourths before the first day of July, and the remainder before the first day of September.
- Voted To accept the report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards.
- Voted That a new board be put on the Post near J. H. Nason or the old one repainted as may be thought best.
- Voted To accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds (Recorded)
- Voted To accept the Report of the Auditors (Printed)
- Voted To accept the following list of Jurors
 Horace Berry George B. Austin
 Daniel Bixby James H. Nason
 Richard F. Gurley Isaac C. Day
 Solomon W. Horbe Nathan K. Fowler
 Peter Strout Charles A. Spofford
 Everett S. Howe John T. Wood
 John L. Killam Alonzo J. Henley
- Voted To sell the Town Pound in the First Parish to Capt. Henry Moulton for Fifty Dollars, the said Moulton to furnish a convenient site on his land for a new Pound, and give up to the town the Gate and Posts of the old Pound.
- Voted That the Selectmen be a Committee to build a new Pound in the First Parish.
 Ancill Dorman declined serving on said Committee and John K. Cole was chosen in his stead.
- Voted That Captain Moulton be added to this Committee
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Ancill Dorman for his services as Chairman of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year 82.57
 To cash paid for sundry purposes 19.44
 \$102.01

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Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Oliver P. Killar for his services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year \$39.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by John K. Cole for his services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year \$28.50
Also to services as one of the Committee on letting out the new Road in West Bofford \$5.00

Voted To allow a bill presented by Ancill Dorman for services as Town Clerk the past year \$10.00
To cash paid for sundry purposes 3.62
To recording &c Births Marriages and Deaths 13.50
\$27.12

Voted To allow a bill presented by Ancill Dorman for services as one of the Committee to let out and see to the working of the newly ^{located} Highway in the West Paris 6.50
To cash paid for Horse and Wagon .90
\$7.40

Voted To allow a bill presented by John Pearl for grading road \$39.35

Voted To allow a bill presented from M. Griffin of Groveland for Supplies furnished Chandler B. Hardy in 1872. \$6.50

Voted That the Treasurer and Collector and all others having a bill against the town present the same to the Selectmen for allowance on or before the eighteenth day of February 1875.

Voted and that the Selectmen ^{present their bills} to the Town for allowance To raise Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1200.) for the support of Schools, and that it be divided equally among the several Schools

Voted To raise Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars \$3500. to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town

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Voted To raise Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1200) for repairs and amendments of Highways.

Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector within three days of the first of September, and that a discount of four percent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid to the Collector before the first day of October, and two percent on all paid before the first day of November and that all taxes be collected before the first day of December 1874.

Voted That when the roads are encumbered with snow the surveyors be instructed to break them out eight feet wide, and that they allow a man twenty cents per hour, a yoke of Oxen twenty cents per hour and for a horse fifteen cents per hour while engaged in such service.

Chose John K. Cole to serve as one of the Committee on School Funds in place of Samuel Perley (resigned)

Voted That the thanks of the town be given to Major Samuel Perley for the care and fidelity with which he has discharged the duties of said office for over forty years.

Chose Oliver P. Killam to serve as one of the Committee on School Funds in place of Moses Kimball (resigned)

Voted That the thanks of the town be given to Moses Kimball for the fidelity with which he has discharged the duties of said office for 28 years.

Voted To refer the matter of erecting a Wood house for the use of the School near the Second Parish Meeting house to the School Committee, with instructions to build forthwith.

Voted To pass over the twentieth article of the Warrant.

Voted To abate the Poll taxes set to George Bruce in Wm E. Killam's lists of 1872 and 1873. Also a Poll tax set to Jeremiah Grant in 1872.

Voted To take up the second article of the warrant.

Chose William E. Killam Collector

Voted That this meeting be dissolved

Attest Ancill Dorman Town Clerk.

1874.

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bedford qualified as by the Constitution required to vote in elections holden in the Vestry in the First Parish on Tuesday the third day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy four for the ^{purpose} of giving in their votes for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor of accounts and Attorney General of this Commonwealth, a Councillor for the fifth Mass. District a Senator for the Third Essex District and a Representative to the next General Court for District No Five, also a Representative in Congress for District No 6. also for a District Attorney a Sheriff. Three Commissioners of insolvency, one County Commissioner and Two Special Commissioners all on one ballot

The polls were open at fifteen minutes past past twelve o'clock and by vote of the town were closed at fifteen minutes before three o'clock P.M.

The whole number of ballots given in was ninety two

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted recorded and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were for the following persons viz

For Governor

| | |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| Thomas Talbot of Billerica | Sixty |
| William Gaston of Boston | Twenty nine |

For Lieutenant Governor

| | |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| Horatio L. Knight of Easthampton | Sixty two |
| William L. Smith of Springfield | Thirty |

For Secretary of State

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| Oliner Warner of Northampton | Sixty two |
| Benjamin F. Mills of Williamstown | Thirty |

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For Treasurer and Receiver General

Charles Adams Jr of North Brookfield Sixty two
 Nathan Black of Lynn Thirty

For Auditor

Charles Endicott of Canton Sixty two
 C. Osgood Morse of Newburyport Thirty

For Attorney General

Charles R. Train of Boston Sixty two
 Waldo Colburn of Dedham Thirty

For Representative to Congress

Benjamin F. Butler of Gloucester Forty five
 Charles P. Thompson of Gloucester Thirty two

For Councillor

Robert Couch of Newburyport Sixty two
 John S. Glover of Ipswich Thirty

For County Commissioner

Joseph O. Procter of Gloucester Fifty eight
 Joseph S. Howe of Methuen Thirty one

For Special Commissioners

Aaron Sawyer of Amesbury Fifty eight
 Daniel W. Bartlett of Essex Fifty eight
 Nathaniel Greeley of Newburyport Thirty
 R. W. Burdham of Essex Thirty

For Sheriff

Horatio G. Herrick of Lawrence Sixty two
 Jonathan Vason of Amesbury Thirty

For District Attorney

E. J. Sherman of Lawrence Sixty two
 Jeremiah P. Jones of Georgetown Thirty

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For Commissioners of Insolvency

William L. Thompson of Lawrence Sixty two
 Dean Peabody of Lynn Sixty two
 Nathaniel J. Holden of Salem Sixty two

For Senator District No Three

Georgel. Davis of North Andover Sixty two
 Horace C. Bacon of Lawrence Twenty eight

For Representative to General Court 5th Essex Dist.
 Daniel P. Hopkinson of Groveland Sixty one
 Norman Nichols of Groveland Twenty seven

Meeting Dissolved

Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

Choice of Representative to Gen. Court At a meeting of the Clerks of the towns of Georgetown Groveland and Boxford held in the office of the Town Clerk of Georgetown on Wednesday the fourth day of November 1874 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the election of a Representative to the General Court for the Fifth Essex District the votes returned by the officers of the said towns were as follows.

In Georgetown

Daniel P. Hopkinson of Groveland One hundred and ^{one} ~~eighty~~ Norman Nichols of Groveland one hundred and sixty one

In Groveland

Daniel P. Hopkinson of Groveland. One hundred and fifty
 Norman Nichols of Groveland. One hundred and fifty nine.

In Boxford

Daniel P. Hopkinson of Groveland. Sixty one.
 Norman Nichols of Groveland. Twenty seven.

And it was ascertained that Daniel P. Hopkinson of Groveland was elected, and certificates were made out accordingly

Attest Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk.

1875.

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of
Boxford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs
held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said town on
Monday the first day of March A.D. 1875

Chose William R. Kimball Esq. Moderator.

" Ancill Dorman Town Clerk sworn by J. S. Sayward Esq

" George W. Chadwick
Ancill Dorman } selectmen.
John H. Cole

" Joseph H. Jones } Constables.
William R. Kimball

Voted Not to choose Tythingmen

" To choose five Field Drivers
Chose E. C. Stevens
Valorus V. Moulton } Field Drivers.
William R. Kimball
Andrew Frame
William Sawyer.

" Henry Moulton } Pound
William R. Kimball } Keepers.

Voted To take up the 4th Article of the warrant.

Voted Not to choose Road Commissioners

" To resume the 2nd Article

Chose Isaac Hale
Thomas Sawyer.
Elbridge Perley
Henry A. Towne
Samuel P. Peabody
Ephraim F. Cole
Benjamin F. Barnes } Surveyors
of
Highways

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| Jonathan J. Porter | } Continuation of Surveyors of Highways |
| Solomon W. Howe | |
| Samuel B. Carleton | |
| George W. Chadwick | |
| <small>John K. Cole</small> <small>George W. Twitchell</small> | |
| Caleb M. Cole | |
| Augustus M. Perley | |
| John Pearl | |
| Reginald D. Foster | |
| Israel Herrick | |
| Joseph H. Jones | |

Voted
Chose

| | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| To choose three Fence Viewers | } Fence Viewers |
| John K. Cole | |
| Ancill Dorman | |
| George B. Austin | |

Voted
Chose

| | |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| To choose ten Measurers of Wood and Bark. | } Measurers of Wood and Bark. |
| James H. Nason | |
| Amos Stevens | |
| Samuel Bixby | |
| Solomon W. Howe | |
| Israel Herrick | |
| John Parkhurst | |
| Frank E. Nason S. by W.R.K. | |
| William J. Badger | |
| William B. Howe | |
| David M. Cole | |

Voted
Chose

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| To choose twelve surveyors of Lumber | } Surveyors of Lumber |
| Israel Herrick | |
| Solomon W. Howe | |
| John W. Parkhurst | |
| William Sawyer | |
| Stephen A. Bixby | |
| Andrew Frame | |
| J. J. Porter | |

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Daniel Andrews } Continuation of
 John Pearl } Surveyors of
 John Day }
 James Carleton } Lumber
 Paul E. Davis }
 Chose John S. Sayward Esq } Auditor

Chose William E. Killam } Treasurer

Voted To take up the third Article

Chose William E. Killam } School Committee for 3 years.

Voted To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative to
Guide Boards.

Chose William E. Killam a member of the Committee
on School Funds in place of Samuel Andrews
resigned.

Voted The thanks of the town to Samuel Andrews for his
long and faithful service as a member of the
Committee on School Funds.

Voted To accept the Report of the Auditors (Printed)

Voted To accept the following list of Jurors presented
by the Selectmen

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| George B. Austin | |
| John H. Nason | |
| Paul E. Davis | |
| Nathan K. Fowler | |
| Samuel Sias | |
| John T. Wood | |
| Alonzo J. Henley | |
| Horace Berry | |
| Benjamin F. Barnes | |
| Richard F. Gurley | |
| Solomon W. Lowe | |
| Peter S. Trout | |
| Edward Howe | |
| John L. Killam | |

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Ancill
 Daman for his services as Chairman of the
 Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor
 for the year ending March 1, 1875 \$87.00

cash
 To paid for stationery Express Justices fees
 Postage & Travel

16.24
 \$103.24

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- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Geo. W. Chadwick for services as Selectman, Assessor & Overseer of the Poor ~~for~~ the past year \$ 43.00
To cash paid for Travel Postage & Painting safe \$ 4.00
\$ 47.00
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by S. F. Spofford for services as Selectman, Assessor & Overseer of the Poor The past year including cash paid for Guide Boards \$ 20.00
- Voted To allow a bill presented by S. M. Greenwood for damages to sleigh Harness &c occasioned by a defect in the Highway Feb. 28, 1874. \$ 25.00
- Voted That the Treasurer and Collector and all others having bills against the town present the same to the Selectmen for allowance on or before the eighteenth day of February 1876. and that the Selectmen present their bills to the town for allowance
- Voted To raise One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.) for the support of schools.
- Voted To raise Three Thousand Dollars (\$3000.) to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the Town.
- Voted To raise One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.) for repairs and amendments of Highways -
- Voted That the Selectmen on or before the fifteenth day of April next, apportion to each surveyor of Highways such part of the amount voted for repairs of Highways as they may think best, having regard as far as may be to the condition of the roads in each Highway District, and it shall be the duty of each surveyor faithfully and impartially to expend the sum thus committed to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his District.
- Voted That Surveyors of Highways and those under their employ be allowed as follows:
For a man twenty cents per hour - for a yoke of Oxen twenty cents per hour - for a Horse & Horse Cart twenty cents per hour - for two horses and a cart twenty five cents per hour.

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for an ox shovel and Plough each fifteen cents per hour - and for an ox cart five cents per hour while employed on the Highways.

Voted That one half of the money appropriated for Highways be expended before the first day of June, three fourths before the first day of July, and the remainder before the first day of September next.

Voted That the Taxes be committed to the Collector within four days of the first of September, and that a discount of four per cent be paid on all Taxes voluntarily paid to the Collector before the first day of October and two per cent on all paid before the first day of November and all taxes are to be collected before the first day of December 1875.

Voted That when the roads are encumbered with snow the Surveors be instructed to break them out eight feet wide. And that they allow for a man and for a yoke of oxen each, twenty cents per hour, and for a Horse fifteen cents per hour while employed under their direction in said service.

Voted To discontinue the town way leading from southeasterly of the house of Moody Perley to the junction near the residence of J. W. Twitchell, (formerly Moses Gould place) (Established 1785)

Voted To pass over the remainder of the 18th Article relating to the discontinuance of the Chapman & Dresser roads.

Voted To refer the matter of putting in a Bridge near the house of James Carleton to the Selectmen with Authority to do as they think best.

Voted To pass over the 20th article (relative to taking a Valuation of Estates.

Voted To abate the Poll tax set to R. B. Anderson in list of 1873.

Voted To take up the 6th article

" To accept the Report of the Committee on School, Funds

Voted To take up the 2nd article

Chose William E. Killam Collector of taxes.

Voted To dissolve the Meeting. Attest Ancill Dorman Town Clerk.

1875

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of
Boxford qualified to vote in town affairs held in the
Vestry in the second Parish on Monday the fourth
day of October 1875

William R. Kimball was chosen Moderator

Voted

That the Selectmen be empowered to put in one or two
bridges and to round up and gravel the road
from near the Soldiers Monument to Porter's
Brook (so called)

Voted

That the aforesaid repairs be made on or before
the first day of November next.

Chose

Benjamin S. Barnes } Auditors in place of
William R. Kimball } J. S. Sayward deceased,

Voted

To accept and allow the widening of a road as re-
ported by the Selectmen in words following.

We the Selectmen of the town of Boxford at the request
of S. W. Howe and others having complied with
the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the
owners of the land on which we were petitioned to
widen a town way have widened the same as follows:

1st Beginning at the corner westerly of the house of
Daniel S. Gillis at a stake by the wall one rod
south of the Guide Post; thence south 1° east ten
rods and six links to a stake; thence south 13°
west five rods and nineteen links to a stake, which
stake is five rods from the wall on the easterly side
of the road; thence south 15° west seven rods to a stake
by the wall where said course forms a junction
with the westerly line of the present road; the east-
erly line of the road to remain as before. The whole
of this widening being on land of Mrs. Melissa P. Batchelder.

2nd

Beginning at a stake on the northerly side of Fish
Brook six links easterly of the stone work of the Bridge
which crosses said Brook below Howe's Mills;
thence north 11° east five rods and eight links
to a stake; thence north 47° east fourteen rods

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and fifteen links to a stake by the wall on the easterly side of the present road; the westerly line of the road to remain as before; The whole of this widening being on land of Mrs. Hannah Perley.

And we have assessed and awarded damages to the owners of the land thus taken as follows.
To Mrs Melissa P. Batchelder Thirty five Dollars
" Mrs Hannah Perley Twelve Dollars.

And we hereby allow the said owners seven months in which to remove the fence and trees from the land thus taken. And we hereby respectfully report our action in this case to the town for its acceptance.

Dated at Bofford this twenty third day of September in the year 1875.

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| Geo. W. Chadwick | } Selectmen of Bofford |
| Ancill Dorman | |
| John K. Cole | |

Voted

To accept the proposition of James Carleton for the removal of the Pound in the second Parish which was as follows. If the town will relinquish the present Pound site and materials, to the said Carleton he agrees to give a satisfactory new site and build a new Pound as good as the front of the present one was when built provided the town will furnish the posts.

(The foregoing proposition was verbally reported to the town from Mr. Carleton, by C. R. Anderson and Wm R. Kimball)

Voted

That the Selectmen be a Committee to see to carrying out the provisions of the foregoing vote

Voted

To dissolve the Meeting

Attest

Ancill Dorman

Town Clerk.

1875

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Roxford qualified as by the constitution required to vote in elections, holden in the Vestry in the second Parish on Tuesday the second day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy five, for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary Treasurer, Auditor of accounts and Attorney General of this Commonwealth - a Councilor for the Fifth Mass. District - A Senator for the Third Essex District and a Representative to the next General Court for District No. Five, also for one County Commissioner. All on one ballot

The polls were open at fifteen minutes past ten o'clock and closed at twenty minutes past twelve by vote of the town

The whole number of ballots given in was one hundred and seven

The whole number of ballots were sorted, counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were for the following persons viz:

For Governor

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| Alexander H. Rice of Boston | Seventy five |
| William Gaston of Boston | Thirty |
| John S. Baker of Beverly | Two |

For Lieutenant Governor

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| Horatio G. Knight of Easthampton | Seventy seven |
| John Quincy Adams of Quincy | Thirty |

For Secretary of State

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| Henry B. Peirce of Abington | Seventy seven |
| George H. Munroe of Boston | Thirty |

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For Treasurer and Receiver General

Charles Endicott of Canton Seventy seven
 Weston Howland of Fairhaven Thirty

For Auditor

Julius L. Clarke of Newton Seventy seven
 John E. Fitzgerald of Boston Twenty nine

For Attorney General

Charles R. Train of Boston Seventy seven
 George F. Verry of Worcester Thirty

For Councillor District No. 5.

Robert Couch of Newburyport Seventy seven
 J. Sidney Howe of Methuen Thirty

For County Commissioner

James Kimball of Salem Seventy seven
 Jonathan Nayson of Amesbury Thirty

For Senator District No. 3.

George L. Davis of North Andover Seventy nine
 James H. Carleton of Haverhill Twenty eight

Representative to General Court District No. 5.

Sherman Nelson of Georgetown Seventy three
 Charles W. Tenney " " Thirty four

Meeting dissolved

Attest Orrill Dorman
 Town Clerk.

1875

At a meeting of the clerks of the towns of Georgetown, Groveland and Boyford held in the office of the
 choice of Town Clerk of Georgetown on Wednesday the
 third day of November A.D. 1875 for the pur-
 Representative pose of ascertaining the result of an election of
 to a Representative to the next General Court
 General Court for the Fifth Essex District, the result in
 each town as returned by the officers there
 of was as follows:

In Georgetown

Sherman Nelson of Georgetown had Two hundred
 and nine votes

Charles W. Tenney of Georgetown had Two hundred
 and twenty "

John Preston of Georgetown had one

J. G. Elliott of Georgetown had one

In Groveland

Sherman Nelson of Georgetown had one hundred
 and thirty one votes

Charles W. Tenney of Georgetown " One hundred
 and forty four "

In Boyford

Sherman Nelson of Georgetown had Seventy three votes

Charles W. Tenney of Georgetown had Thirty four "

And it was ascertained that Sherman Nelson
 of Georgetown was elected Representative for said
 District and certificates were made out accord-
 ingly.

Attest

Ancill Dorman
 Town Clerk

1876

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boyford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Monday the sixth day of March A.D. 1876.

John K. Cole was chosen Moderator.

Ancill Dorman was chosen Clerk sworn by B. S. Barnes Esq.
(certificate filed)

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| Chose | Ancill Dorman | } Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor |
| | George W. Chadwick | |
| | Isaac W. Andrew | |

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| Chose | Henry Newhall | } Constables |
| | William R. Kimball | |

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| Chose | F. A. Howe | } Tythingmen |
| | J. P. Dorman | |
| | W. W. Howe | |
| | J. W. Andrew | |
| | Franklin Jagues | |

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| Chose | Andrew Frame | } Field |
| | Daniel Bixby | |
| | Elbridge Perley | } Drivers |
| | Israel F. Spofford | |
| | William E. Perley | |

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| Chose | Henry Moulton | } Pound Keepers |
| | William R. Kimball | |

Voted To take up the 4th article of the warrant (which relates to the choosing of Road Commissioners)

Voted To pass over the 4th article

Voted To resume the 2nd article of the warrant

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| Chose | James P. Cleaveland | } Surveyors of Highways |
| | George B. Killam | |
| | Valerus V. Moulton | |
| | Samuel Twisden | |

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Horace Berry

Samuel Rowe

B. F. Barnes

Charles A. Andrew

~~Declined & James H. Nason chosen in his stead~~

Solomon W. Howe

Charles H. Thwing

Charles Perley

John K. Cole

George W. Twitchell

Edwin S. Adams

Charles Perley 2nd

Joseph P. Cole

Reginald D. Foster

Israel Herrick

Joseph H. Jones

Continuation
of

Surveyors

of

Highways

Chose

John K. Cole

Charles H. Thwing

Ephraim F. Cole

Fence Viewers

Chose

James H. Nason

Amos Stevens

Samuel Bixby

Solomon W. Howe

Israel Herrick

John Parkhurst

Frank E. Nason

William J. Badger

William B. Howe

David M. Cole

John Pearl

Daniel F. Harriman

Measurers

of

Wood

and

Bark

Chose

Israel Herrick

Solomon W. Howe

John Parkhurst

B. F. Barnes

Stephen A. Bixby

Surveyors of

Lumber

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- Chose Andrew Frame
Jonathan J. Porter
John Pearl
Daniel Andrews
John Day
Daniel F. Harriman
Paul C. Davis
- Continuation of
Surveyors of
Lumber
- Chose B. S. Barnes
Wm R. Kimball
- Auditors
- Chose William E. Killam Treasurer
- Voted To suspend action on the 2nd article of the warrant and take up the 3rd article
- Chose Asa Kimball School Committee for three years
- Voted To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards.
- Voted To accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds.
- Voted To accept the Report of the Auditor (Printed)
- Voted To accept the list of names presented by the Selectmen as qualified to serve as Jurors (For this list see last page of next leaf)
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by George W. Chadwick for services as Chairman of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year of 75.00
- Cash paid for Stationery, postage Car fare Justice fees 3.20
- \$78.20
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Amill Dorman for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year 63.40
- Cash paid for travel, Postage Stationery Justice fees 12.39
- \$75.79
- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by John K. Cole for his services as one of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseer of the Poor the past year 29.00
- To perambulating town lines 8.50
- \$37.50

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Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Daniel L. Reynolds for care of Stephen G. Holt through his last sickness at his house in November last as follows:

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| Time and trouble | \$12.00 |
| Loss of bed clothes | 8.00 |
| Cleansing room | 5.00 |
| | <u>\$25.00</u> |

Voted That all persons having bills against the town present the same to the Selectmen for allowance on or before the 17th day of February 1877. and that the Selectmen present their bills, for services, to the town for allowance.

Voted To raise One Thousand Dollars for the support of \$1,000. Schools and that the School money be divided equal for Schools by among the several schools -

Voted To raise Three Thousand Dollars to defray the \$3,000. Town charges necessary charges and expenses of the town

Voted To raise One Thousand Dollars for repairs and \$1,000. amendments of Highways

Voted That the Selectmen on or before the fifteenth day of April next apportion to each Surveyor of Highways such part of the amount voted for repairs of Highways as they may think best having regard as far as may be, to the condition of the roads in each Highway District; and it shall be the duty of each surveyor faithfully and impartially to expend the sum thus committed to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his District -

Voted That surveyors of Highways and those under their employ be allowed as follows viz For a man fifteen cents per hour - for a yoke of oxen fifteen cents per hour, for a Horse and Cart fifteen cents per hour - for two Horses and a Cart twenty cents per hour. and for a plough Ox shovel and Ox Cart each five cents per hour while used on the Highways.

Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector within four days of the first day of September next, and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid

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to the Collector before the first day of October and two per cent on all paid before the first day of November next and all taxes are to be collected before the first day of December next.

Voted To take up the 2nd article of the warrant.
Chose James H. Nason Surveyor of Highways in place of C. A. Andrew (who declined to serve).

Chose William E. Killam Collector of taxes

Voted That when the roads are encumbered with snow the Surveyors be instructed to break them out eight feet wide. And that they allow for a man and for a yoke of oxen each fifteen cents per hour, and for a Horse cents per hour while employed under their direction in said service.

Voted To pass over the 17th article of the warrant relative to taking a valuation of estates.

Voted That the schools be furnished with wood from the Town Farm (to be cut and hauled)

Voted To pass over the 19th article relative to abating the taxes set to Heirs of Samuel Morse in 1872 & 1873.

Voted To fill up the valley on the common in front of the house of Elvin French.

Voted To choose a committee of three to oversee the filling up of said valley, it being understood that the labor shall be furnished free of cost to the town.

Chose Wm H. Kimball
Henry Newhall
Henry Moulton

Voted To pass over the 21st article relative to taking fish from any of the Ponds in town

Voted To Dissolve the Meeting
Attest

Ancill Dorman
Town Clerk.

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List of Jurors

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| Nathan K. Fowler | Rufus W. Emerron |
| George B. Austin | Edward Howe |
| Paul C. Davis | James P. Cleaveland |
| William R. Kimball | Charles E. Sterens |
| Valorus V. Moulton | Daniel S. Gillis |
| Joseph P. Cole | Cornelius Pearson |
| Alonzo J. Henley | George W. Twitchell |

The foregoing is the list of Jurors presented by the Selectmen and accepted by the town at the annual meeting held March 6th 1876, (accidentally omitted in its proper place in the record)

Attest

Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

At a meeting of the legal voters of the town of Bofford held in the Vestry in the First Parish on Monday the 24th day of April A. D. 1876

George W. Chadwick was chosen Moderator

Voted. To instruct the committee chosen at the last annual meeting to proceed and finish filling the Valley in front of the house of C. French at the expense of the town.

Voted That all labor already done and to be done in filling said valley so far as people see fit to charge for the same, be paid at the same rate as allowed the present year for labor on highways.

Voted To leave the matter of the proposed route of the Boston, Lawrence and Haverhill Railroad to the Selectmen to act as they think best

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

Attest

Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk.

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At a legal meeting of the qualified voters of the town of Bofford held in the Vestry in the First Parish on Tuesday the seventh day of November A.D. 1876.

Thomas P. Dorman was chosen Moderator.

Voted That the Overseers of the Poor be directed to collect the bill due from the town of Topsfield for supplies furnished the wife of Joseph E. Peabody

Voted That the Overseers be authorized to commence and carry on a suit for the collection of the aforesaid bill if they think it necessary.

Voted To dissolve the Meeting.

Attest

Ansell Dorman
Town Clerk.

1876.

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified as by the Constitution required to vote in elections holden in the Vestry in the First Parish on Tuesday the seventh day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy six for the purpose of giving in their votes for the number of Electors of President and Vice President of the United States to which this Commonwealth is entitled. Also for a Representative in Congress for the sixth Mass. District. Also for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor and Attorney General of the Commonwealth - for a Councillor for the Fifth District, for a Senator for the Fifth Essex District, a Representative to General Court for the Fifteenth Essex District, a Clerk of the Courts for the County of Essex, a County Treasurer, a County Commissioner, and a Register of Deeds for the southern District in said County. all on one ballot.

The polls were opened at fifteen minutes past ten o'clock and closed agreeably to vote of town at eleven minutes before one.

The whole number of ballots given in was one hundred and sixty three

The ballots were all sorted, counted, recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs, and were for the following persons viz:

For Electors of President and Vice President
At Large

Thomas Talbot of Billerica had one hundred and nineteen.

Stephen Salisbury of Worcester .. one hundred and nineteen.

William Gaston of Boston .. Forty two

Edward Avery of Braintree .. Forty two

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- Electors for Warren Ladd of New Bedford One hundred and nineteen
 District No. 1 James D. Thompson of New Bedford Forty two
- " No. 2 Theodore Dean of Taunton One hundred and nineteen
 Samuel N. Dyer Jr. of South Abington Forty two
- " No. 3 J. Felt Osgood of Boston One hundred and nineteen
 George F. Baldwin of Boston Forty two.
 Teen.
- " No. 4 Martin Brimmer of Boston One hundred and nine
 Charles Levi Woodbury of Boston Forty two
- " No. 5 S. C. Lawrence of Medford One hundred and nineteen
 Alpha E. Thompson of Woburn Forty two
- " No. 6 George W. Morrill of Amesbury One hundred and nineteen.
 James V. Smiley of Haverhill Forty two
- " No. 7 Carroll D. Wright of Reading One hundred and nineteen
 James C. Abbott of Lowell Forty two
- " No. 8 James Russell Lowell of Cambridge One hundred and ^{nineteen}
 Edwin A. Alger of Cambridge Forty two
- " No. 9 John C. Whittier of Northbridge One hundred and nineteen
 Eli Thayer of Worcester Forty two
- " No. 10 W. B. C. Pearsons of Holyoke One hundred and nineteen
 Timothy S. Wilson of Fitchburg Forty two.
- " No. 11 Richard Goodman of Lenox One hundred and ^{teen}
 Cebra Quackenbush of Pittsfield Forty two

For Governor of the Commonwealth.
 Alexander H. Rice of Boston one hundred and ^{teen} thirty
 Charles Francis Adams of Quincy Forty four.
 John I. Baker of Beverly Four.

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For Lieutenant Governor

Horatio G. Knight of Easthampton one hundred and ^{nineteen}
 William R. Plunkett of Pittsfield Forty four

For Secretary of State

Henry B. Pierce of Abington One hundred and nineteen
 Weston Howland of Fairhaven Forty four

For Treasurer & Receiver General

Charles E. Endicott of Canton One hundred and ^{teen} nine
 David V. Skillings of Winchester Forty four

For Auditor

Julius L. Clark of Newton One hundred and nineteen
 John C. Fitzgerald of Boston Forty four

For Attorney General

Charles R. Train of Boston One hundred and nineteen
 Richard Olney of Boston Forty four

For Representative in Congress 6th District

George B. Loring of Salem One hundred and one
 Charles P. Thompson of Gloucester Fifty seven

For Councillor 5th District

William Coggeswell of Bradford One hundred and ^{nineteen}
 Benjamin F. Peach of Lynn Forty four

For Senator 5th Essex District

Jackson B. Swett of Haverhill One hundred and nineteen
 Preston M. Chase of Danvers Forty four

For Representative to General Court 15th Essex District

Aaron Cogswell of Ipswich One hundred and fifteen
 George A. Lord of Ipswich Forty four

For Clerk of Courts

Alfred A. Abbott of Peabody One hundred and sixty three

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For Register of Deeds

Ephraim Brown of Salem one hundred and ^{eight.} fifty

For County Treasurer

Allen W. Dodge of Hamilton one hundred and nineteen
Thomas Ingalls of Marblehead Forty four

For County Commissioner

Zachariah Graves of Lynn One hundred and ^{ten} nine
J. S. Howe of Methuen Forty four

Meeting dissolved

Attest:

Ancill Dorman
Town Clerk.

At a meeting of the Clerks of the towns of Ipswich Rowley and
Boxford held in the office of the Town Clerk of Ipswich on
Wednesday the eighth day of November 1876. for the purpose of
ascertaining the result of an election of a Representative to
the next General Court for the Fifteenth Essex District, the
result in each town as returned by the Officers thereof was as
follows.

In Ipswich

Aaron Cogswell of Ipswich had Three hundred and ^{seven.} seventy
George A. Lord, of Ipswich " Two hundred and thirty seven.

In Rowley

Aaron Cogswell of Ipswich had one hundred and ^{five.} fifty
George A. Lord " " " One hundred and ^{two.} twenty

In Boxford

Aaron Cogswell of Ipswich had one hundred and fifteen
George A. Lord " " " Forty four.

And it was ascertained that Aaron Cogswell
of Ipswich was elected Representative for said Dis-
trict, and Certificates were made out accordingly

Attest: Ancill Dorman

(Town Clerk of Ipswich, Wesley K. Bell) Town Clerk.

" " " Rowley, John S. Prime
Dec. 8, 1876. I hereby certify that I have this day destroyed the
ballots cast in Boxford at the November election.

Ancill Dorman, Town Clerk.

1877

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Bofford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town on Monday the fifth day of March A.D. 1877

Thomas P. Dorman Esq. was chosen Moderator.

Ancill Dorman was chosen Clerk. ^{The Clerk was sworn in open meeting by} T. P. Dorman Esq.

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| Chose | George W. Chadwick | } Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor |
| | John K. Cole | |
| | Ancill Dorman | |

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| Chose | D. S. Gillis | } Constables |
| | William R. Kimball | |

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| Chose | Daniel Bixby | } Field |
| | Andrew Frame | |
| | William A. Howe | |
| | James P. Cleaveland | } Drivers |
| | James W. Chadwick | |
| | J. J. Porter | |
| | David M. Cole | |

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| Chose | Henry Moulton | } Pound Keepers |
| | Wm R. Kimball | |

Voted To take up the 4th article relative to choosing Road Commissioners.

Voted. To pass over the 4th article
2nd article resumed

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| Chose | James P. Cleaveland | } Surveyors of Highways |
| | Samuel Killam | |
| | David M. Cole | |
| | Samuel Twisden | |
| | Wm W. Dresser | |
| | John T. Wood | |
| | B. F. Barnes | |

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Chose

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| William E. Perley | } Continuation of Surveyors of Highways |
| Solomon W. Howe | |
| Samuel B. Carleton | |
| Charles Perley | |
| John K. Cole | |
| George W. Twitchell | |
| Frank E. Nason | |
| Henry Perley | |
| Nathan K. Fowler | |
| Reginald D. Foster | |
| Israel Herrick | |
| Joseph H. Jones | |

Chose

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| John K. Cole | } Fence Viewers |
| Ancill Dorman | |
| George W. Chadwick | |

Chose

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| Samuel Bixby | } Measurers of Wood and Bark. |
| John Parkhurst | |
| Samuel P. Peabody | |
| William B. Howe | |
| Israel Herrick | |
| B. F. Barnes | |
| D. M. Cole | |
| F. E. Nason | |
| James H. Nason | |
| Daniel F. Harriman | |
| Ephraim F. Cole | |
| Samuel B. Carleton | |

Chose

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|------------------|---------------------------------|
| John Parkhurst | } Surveyors of Lumber |
| Israel Herrick | |
| Solomon W. Howe | |
| Stephen A. Bixby | |
| Andrew Frame | |
| Daniel Andrews | |
| Samuel Bixby | |

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| John Pearl | } Continuation of Surveyors of Lumber |
| J. J. Porter | |
| John Day | |
| Daniel F. Harriman | |
| Israel F. Sprofford | |

Chose

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| Samuel P. Peabody | } Auditors |
| William R. Kimball | |

Voted

To pass over the second article for the present.

Chose

Rev. S. D. Gammell School Committee for 3 years

Voted

To accept the report of the Selectmen relative to
Guide Posts and Boards.

Voted

To accept the report of the Committee on School Funds

Voted

To accept the report of the Auditors (printed)

Voted

To accept the following list of jurors presented
by the Selectmen viz:

John M. Pearl

John K. Cole

George B. Austin

William W. Howe

Paul E. Davis

Henry Moulton

Wm R. Kimball

George B. Killam

Charles A. Andrew

Rufus W. Emerson

Charles R. Anderson

Thomas P. Dorman

Alonzo J. Henley

George W. Twitchell

Voted

To allow a bill presented by Ancill Dorman for
services as Chairman of the Selectmen Assessors
and Overseers of the Poor the past year. \$70.00

To cash paid for Travel, Stationery Postage Justice's fees etc. 23.64

\$ 93.64

Voted

To allow a bill presented by Geo. W. Chadwick for services
as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year
\$40.00

Voted

To allow a bill presented by S. W. Andrew for services
as one of the Assessors, Overseers & Selectmen during
the past year including expenses \$55.65

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Voted That all persons having bills against the town present the same to the Selectmen for allowance on or before the 17th day of February 1878. and that the Selectmen present their bills for services, to the town for allowance

Voted To raise one thousand dollars \$1,000.00, for the support of Schools, and that it be divided equally among the several schools.

Voted To raise two thousand dollars \$2,000.00, to defray Town charges the current year.

Voted To raise one thousand dollars \$1,000.00, for repairs and amendments of Highways and Bridges.

Voted That the Selectmen on or before the fifteenth day of April next apportion to each surveyor of Highways such part of the amount voted for repairs of Highways as they may think best, having regard as far as may be, to the condition of the roads in each Highway District, and it shall be the duty of each Surveyor faithfully and impartially to expend the sum thus assigned to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his District.

Voted That Surveyors of Highways and those under their employ be allowed as follows:

For a man fifteen cents per hour, for a yoke of oxen fifteen cents per hour, for a Horse and Cart fifteen cents per hour, for two Horses and a cart twenty cents per hour, and for a Plough, Ox shovel and Ox cart each five cents per hour while used on the Highways.

Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector within four days of the first day of September next, and that discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid to the Collector before the first day of October, and two per cent on all paid before the first day of November, and all taxes are to be collected before the first day of December 1877.

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Voted To resume the 2nd article.
 Chose William E. Killam Collector of taxes
 Chose William E. Killam Treasurer

Chose James P. Cleaveland }
 William B. Howe } Tything men
 Franklin J. Agnes }
 Nathan K. Fowler }

Voted That the breaking out of the roads, when encumbered with snow, be left to the discretion of the Sur-
 veyors, and that the compensation for such
 service be left to the discretion of the Selectmen.

Voted To pass over the 17th article, relative to
 taking a valuation of estates.

Voted That the schools be supplied with wood from
 the Town Farm, to be cut and hauled,

Voted That the wood be paid for from the School money
 to the Master of the Almshouse, \$7.00 per cord
 for hard wood, \$5.00 per cord for pine.

Voted To abate the following taxes viz:
 Edmund Kellahar Poll tax in 1873 - Frederic H. Fowler
 Wm O. Gurley - Samuel D. Matthews William Merrill
 & Stephen P. Perley, Polls, in list of 1874 - Also William
 P. Emery, Ira Goodwin - Daniel Laro - Lewis May-
 nard, Poll, and a tax of \$3.20 set to Joseph K. Farley in
 list of 1875.

Voted To pass over the 20th article, relative to building
 a new School-house for School No. 2.

Voted To pass over the 21st article, relative to Tramps &c.

Voted To pass over the 22nd article, relative to taking
 fish from Ponds.

Voted To dissolve the meeting
 Attest

Ancill Dorman.
 Town Clerk.

1877

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Bofford qualified to vote in town affairs, held in the Vestry in the second Parish on Monday the thirteenth day of August A. D. 1877.

John K. Cole was chosen Moderator

Voted under the second article in regard to the writ of Anna M. Lander against the inhabitants of Bofford, that the matter be left with the Selectmen and that they have full authority to employ legal counsel and carry on the defence as far as they think best for the interest of the town.

Voted That the present board of Selectmen be a continuous Committee to carry the case to its final issue

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Attest

Ancill Dorman

Town Clerk

1877.

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boyford qualified as by the Constitution required to vote in elections held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town, on Tuesday the sixth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy seven for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor and Attorney General of the Commonwealth, For a Councillor for the Fifth District, For a Senator for the Fifth Essex District, a Representative to the General Court for the Fifteenth Essex District For a Sheriff for the County of Essex, For three Commissioners of Insolvency, a District Attorney, one County Commissioner and two Special Commissioners, Also to bring in their votes Yes or No on the proposed amendment of the Constitution All on one ballot.

The polls were opened at twenty five minutes past ten o'clock A. M. and closed at twenty eight minutes past twelve P. M.

The whole number of ballots given in was Fifty five

The ballots were all sorted, counted and recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs and were for the following persons Viz:

For Governor of the Commonwealth

| | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| Alexander H. Rice of Boston | Fifty one |
| William Gaston of Boston | Thirty |
| Robert C. Pitman of Newton | Four |

For Lieutenant Governor

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| Horatio G. Knight of Easthampton | Fifty five |
| William R. Plunkett of Pittsfield | Thirty |

1877

For Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Henry B. Pierce of Abington Fifty five
 Weston Howland of Fairhaven Thirty

Treasurer and Receiver General

Charles Endicott of Canton Fifty five
 David V. Skillings of Winchester Thirty

For Auditor

Julius L. Clarke of Newton Fifty five
 John E. Fitzgerald of Boston Thirty

For Attorney General

Charles R. Train of Boston Fifty five
 Charles P. Thompson of Gloucester Thirty

For Councillor District No. 5.

Harmon Hall of Saugus Fifty four
 James H. Carleton of Haverhill Thirty
 William Cogswell of Bradford one

For Senator Fifth Essex District

Jackson B. Swett of Haverhill Fifty five
 Preston M. Chase of Danvers Thirty

For Sheriff

Horatio B. Herrick of Lawrence Fifty five
 William M. Hill of Salem Thirty

For District Attorney

Edgar J. Sherman of Lawrence Fifty five
 Harrison G. Johnson of Newburyport Thirty

For County Commissioner

Joseph O. Proctor of Gloucester Fifty five
 J. Sidney Howe of Methuen Thirty

1877

For Special Commissioners

| | |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Aaron Sawyer of Amesbury | Fifty five |
| D. W. Bartlett of Essex | Fifty five |
| Horatio Pearl of Bradford | Twenty Nine |
| George A. Lord of Ipswich | Thirty |

For Commissioners of Insolvency

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| William L. Thompson of Lawrence | Fifty five |
| Nathaniel J. Holden of Salem | Fifty five |
| Dean Peabody of Lynn | Fifty five |
| Benjamin F. Brickett of Haverhill | Thirty |
| F. J. Douglas of Lynn | Thirty |
| William Nutting Jr. of Marblehead | Thirty |

For Representative to Gen. Court 15th Essex District

| | |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| Asa F. Howe of Rowley | Fifty five |
| William G. Brown of Ipswich | Thirty |

Amendment of the Constitution

| | |
|------|--------|
| Yes, | Eleven |
| No, | None |

Meeting dissolved

Attest Ancill Dorman

Town Clerk.

1877

At a meeting of the Clerks of the towns of Ipswich Rowley and Boxford held in the office of the Town Clerk of Ipswich on Wednesday the seventh day of November 1877 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of an election of a Representative to the next General Court for the Fifteenth Essex District, the result in each town as ascertained by the officers thereof was as follows:

In Ipswich

| | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Asa F. Howe of Rowley had | 280 votes |
| William G. Brown of Ipswich " | 243 " |

In Rowley

| | |
|-----------------|-----|
| Asa F. Howe had | 127 |
| Wm G. Brown " | 74 |

In Boxford

| | |
|-----------------|----|
| Asa F. Howe had | 55 |
| Wm G. Brown " | 30 |

And it was ascertained that Asa F. Howe of Rowley was elected Representative for said District and certificates were made out accordingly.

Attest

Ancill Dorman
} Town Clerk.

December 10, 1877

I hereby certify that I have this day destroyed the voter cast at the last November election

Ancill Dorman Town Clerk.

1878

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boyford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Monday the fourth day of March A.D. 1878.

William R. Kimball Esqr. was chosen Moderator

B.S. Barnes was chosen Town Clerk
 was sworn by
 Ancill Dorman Esqr. in open Meeting

| | | |
|-------|--------------------|---|
| Chose | Ancill Dorman | } Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor |
| | George W. Chadwick | |
| | J. Henry Nason | |

| | | |
|-------|-----------------|--------------|
| Chose | Joseph H. James | } Constables |
| | J. J. Porter | |

| | | |
|-------|---------------|-------------------------|
| Chose | Wm R. Kimball | } Treasurer & Collector |
|-------|---------------|-------------------------|

| | | |
|-------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Chose | Wm W. Howe | } Field Drivers |
| | Humphrey Perley | |
| | Andrew Frame | |
| | Wm R. Kimball | |
| | George B. Austin | |
| | Israel F. Spofford | |

| | | |
|-------|---------------|--------------------|
| Chose | Henry Moulton | } Pound Keepers |
| | Wm R. Kimball | |

Voted To take the 4th article relative to choosing Road Commissioners

Voted To pass over the 4th article - 2^d article resumed.

| | | |
|-------|------------------|----------------------------|
| Chose | Daniel Bixby | } Surveyors of Highways |
| | Andrew Frame | |
| | David M. Cole | |
| | Daniel S. Gillis | |
| | John Parkhurst | |
| | Oliver P. Killam | |
| | B. Frank Barnes | |

1878

J. J. Porter
 S. W. Howe
 Samuel B. Carleton
 George W. Chadwick
 John K. Cole
 G. W. Twitchell
 F. E. Nason
 J. S. Potter
 Asa Kimball
 R. D. Foster
 Israel Herrick
 Joseph H. James

Continuation of

Surveyors of
Highways

Chose

R. W. Emerson
 J. H. Nason
 S. W. Howe
 Israel Herrick
 Andrew Frame
 Stephen A. Bixby
 John Peabody
 G. W. Twitchell
 J. J. Porter
 D. F. Harriman
 John Parkhurst
 John Day
 Israel F. Spofford

Surveyors
of
Lumber

Chose

S. P. Peabody
 Wm R. Kimball

Auditors

Chose

George Perley
 F. A. Howe
 Wm W. Howe
 J. M. Pearl
 Charles R. Anderson
 Nathan K. Fowler

Tithing Men

1878

Chose

George Perley
David M. Cole
Saml. P. Peabody

} Fence Viewers

Chose

John Peabody
Wm J. Badger
J. J. Porter
D. F. Harriman
Wm B. Howe
John Parkhurst
John Pearl
Andrew Frame
J. T. Wood
Saml P. Peabody
Israel Herrick
Israel F. Spofford
Samuel Bixby
S. W. Howe

} Measurers of

} Wood and Bark

Chose

David Brimmer } School Committee for 3 yrs.

Voted

To take up 2^d article

Chose

Minot Killam } Sealer of Weights and Measures

Voted

To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative
to Guide Posts and Boards.

Voted

To accept the Report of the Committee on School
Funds.

Voted

To accept the Report of the Auditors (Printed)

Voted

To accept the following list of jurors presented
by the Selectmen viz

Edward Howe
Israel Herrick
George Perley
Wm B. Howe
Rufus W. Emerson
Solomon W. Howe
George W. Twitchell

Charles A. Andrew
Alonzo J. Henley
Charles R. Anderson
Paul C. Davis
Frank E. Nason
Israel F. Spofford
George B. Austin

1878.

- Voted To allow a bill presented by Geo. W. Chadwick for service as Chairman of Selectmen, Assessor & Overseer of the Poor, including cash paid for Stationary Car fare postage Justices fees &c the past year \$94.45
- Voted To allow a bill presented by Ansell Dorman for Service as one of the Selectmen, Assessor and overseer of the Poor the past year \$51.14
To Cash paid for Postage Express Travel &c. \$13.56
\$64.70
- Voted To allow a bill presented by John K. Cole for Service as one of the Selectmen Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year including a journey July 24th to Salem & Ipswich in the case of Mitchell \$35.50
- Voted To allow a bill presented by Minot Killam for Service as Treasurer & Collector for the remainder of the year of 1877 beginning Dec 4th — \$25.00
- Voted That all persons having bills against the town present the same to the Selectmen for allowance on or before the 17th day of Feb 1879- And that the Selectmen present their bills for Services, to the town for allowance.
- Voted To raise one thousand dollars \$1,000.00 for the Support of Schools and that it be divided equally amongst the Several Schools -
- Voted To raise two Thousand dollars \$2,000.00 to defray Town Charges the Current year -
- Voted To raise one thousand dollars \$1,000.00 for repairs and amendments of Highways & Bridges and \$2,000.00 extra to be raised & kept for emergencies -
- Voted To allow a bill presented by the Estate of Wm E. Killam for his service as Treasurer & Collector for the current year until Dec. 4th \$45.00

1878.

- Voted That the Selectmen on or before the fifteenth day of April next apportion to each Surveyor of Highways such part of the amount voted for repairs of Highways as they may think best, having regard as far as may be to the condition of the Roads in each Highway District, and it shall be the duty of each Surveyor faithfully and impartially to expend the sum thus assigned to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his District.
- Voted That Surveyors of Highways and those under their employ be allowed as follows - For a man fifteen cents per hour for a yoke of oxen fifteen cents per hour for a horse and cart fifteen cts per hour for two horses and a cart twenty cts per hour - and for a Plough or Shovel and for a Cart five cents per hour each while used on the Highways.
- Voted That the Taxes be Committed to the Collector within four days of the first day of Sept. next. And that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid before the first day of Oct. And two per cent on all paid before the first day of November, and all taxes are to be collected before the first day of Dec 1878.
- Voted That the breaking out of the Roads when encumbered with Snow be left to the discretion of the Surveyors and that the Compensation of such Service be left to the Selectmen, except 20 cts per hour shall be allowed for Oxen.
- Voted To pass over the 17th article relative to taking a Valuation of Estates.
- Voted That the Schools be supplied with wood from the Town Farm, The wood to be cut and hauled.
- Voted That the wood be paid for to the Master of the Almshouse from the School money, at \$7.00 per Cord for hard & \$5.00 for Pine - & Each School shall be provided with a cord of Birch wood at the Spring term.

1878

19th Article To Choose a member of the Committee on School-funds in place of Wm E. Killam Decd
 Chose Israel Herrick on said Committee

20 article In regard to a History of the Town of Boxford by Sidney Perley -
 Chose A Committee to examine Mr. Perley's Manuscripts Consisting of three, The Revd. S. D. Gammell, Revd. David Brimmer and Mr George W. Chadwick, and if they think favorable of the Matter, they are authorized to take 40 Copies for the Town and draw on the Treasurer to pay for the same.

Voted To dissolve the Meeting -

Attest

B. S. Barnes

Town Clerk.

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified to vote in town affairs held in the vestry in the first Parish on Thursday July 25th /78

Wm. R. Kimball was chosen Moderator

Voted under the second article in regard to a notice received from J. P. & B. B. Jones Esqrs. Attorneys for Chas. A. Kimball of Georgetown who claims damages for injuries received as alleged by a defect in the Highways. Voted That a Committee of three be chosen. Chose, Archill Dorman John K. Cole & Geo. W. Chadwick - To investigate the matter & if thought best to settle with Mr. Kimball, but if no settlement is made & the Town is Sued, this Committee has full power to employ legal Counsel and Carry on the defence as they think best for the Town to its final issue.

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

B. S. Barnes,

Town Clerk.

1878

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the
town of Boxford qualified to vote in Town
affairs held in the Vestry in the 1st Parish
on Tuesday Oct. 5th/78

Chose George W. Chadwick Moderator

Voted To allow a bill presented by Amieil Dorman
For Service as one of the Committee in
the case of Annie M. Lander vs. Town of
Boxford & Cash paid for travel entertainment &c.

33.49

Voted To pay John K. Coles bill for Service in the
above case, as Committee &c -

23.50

Voted To allow a bill presented by J. J. Porter for
labor on the Highways

25.25

Resolved the Meeting

Attest

B. S. Barnes -

Town Clerk

1878

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Buxford qualified as by the Constitution required to Vote in elections held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said Town on Tuesday the fifth day of November in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy eight for the purpose of giving in their Votes for a Representative in Congress for the Sixth Mass District. Also for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer & Receiver General - Auditor and attorney Genl for the Commonwealth, For a Councillor For the Fifth District for a Senator for the Fifth Essex District, and for a Representative to the General Court for the fifteenth Essex District, and for a County Treasurer, and Register of Probate and Insolvency and one County Commissioner -

The polls were opened at a quarter past ten o'clock and closed at fifteen minutes past twelve

The whole number of ballots given in was 164-

The ballots were all Sorted, Counted and recorded and public declaration made thereof in open Meeting as the law directs, and were for the following persons

Viz

For Governor of the Commonwealth

Thomas Talbot of Billerica One hundred & twenty
Josiah G. Abbott of Boston Twenty six
Benjamin F. Butler of Lowell Eighteen

For Lieutenant Governor

John D. Long of Hingham One hundred & fifteen.
William R. Plunkett of Pittsfield Thirty one
John F. Arnold of North Adams Ten

1878

For Secretary of State

three

Henry B. Peirce of Abington One hundred & twenty,
 Henry C. Ewing of Holyoke Thirty three
 Weston Howland of Fairhaven Nine

For Treasurer and Receiver General.

Charles Endicott of Canton One hundred & twenty two
 David N. Skillings of Winchester thirty two
 John H. Jennings of New Bedford Ten

For Auditor

Julius L. Clark of Newton One hundred & twenty two
 John E. Fitzgerald of Boston thirty two
 Davis J. King of Boston Ten

For Attorney General

George Marston of New Bedford One hundred ^{twenty two} and,
 Richard Olney of Boston Thirty three
 Wm D. Northend of Salem Ten

For Comptroller. 5th District

Harmon Hall of Saugus One hundred & twenty two
 James N. Buffum of Lynn Forty two

For Representative to Congress 6th District

George B. Loring of Salem One hundred & fifteen
 James H. Carleton of Haverhill thirty eight
 E. Moody Boynton of West Newbury nine

For Senator 5th Essex District

Stephen Osgood of Georgetown One hundred ^{twenty five} and,
 Preston M. Chase of Danvers thirty two
 C. C. Morse of Newburyport Seven

1878

For Representative to General Court 15th Essex District

William S. Coggin of Boxford Ninety two
 George W. Chadwick of Boxford Sixty nine
 Andrew Woodbury of Ipswich One

For County Commissioner

John W. Raymond of Beverly One hundred & ^{two} twenty ¹²²
 Andrew H. Pettengill of Newburyport Forty two

For County Treasurer

E. Kendall Jenkins of Andover One hundred and ^{twenty two}
 Benjamin A. Ward of Lynn forty two

For Register of Probate and Insolvency

Abner C. Goddard Jr. of Salem One hundred & ^{four} twenty ¹²⁴
 Jeremiah T. Mahoney of Salem forty

Meeting dissolved

Attest

B. S. Barnes -

Town Clerk.

1878

At a Meeting of the Clerks of the Towns of Ipswich Rowley and Bofford, held in the Office of the Clerk of Ipswich on Wednesday the Sixth day of November 1878. for the purpose of ascertaining the result of an election of a Representative to the next General Court, for the 15th Essex District.

The result in each Town as ascertained by the officers thereof was as follows -

In Ipswich

| | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----------|
| Revd Wm. S. Coggin of Bofford | had | 329 votes |
| Geo W. Chadwick of Bofford | " | 67 " |
| Andrew Woodburn of Ipswich | " | 236 " |

In Rowley

| | | |
|--------------------|-----|-------|
| Revd Wm S. Coggin | had | 126 " |
| George W. Chadwick | " | 18 " |
| Andrew Woodbury | " | 84 " |

In Bofford

| | | |
|--------------------|-----|----------|
| Revd Wm. S. Coggin | had | 92 votes |
| George W. Chadwick | " | 69 " |
| Andrew Woodbury | " | 01 " |

And it was ascertained that the Revd Wm S Coggin of Bofford was elected Representative for said District, and Certificates were made out accordingly

Attest

B. S. Barnes } Town Clerk -

1879

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of
Boxford qualified to vote in elections and town affairs
held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said town on
Monday the third day of March A. D. 1879-

Wm R. Kimball Esqr was Chosen Moderator

B. S. Barnes was Chosen Town Clerk & Sworn by W. R. Kimball

Chose Geo W. Chadwick B. S. Barnes & J. K. Cole Selectmen
Assessors and Overseers of the Poor -

Chose Albert H. Towne & Frank E. Nason Constables

" Wm R. Kimball Treasurer & Collector

" Gardner S. Morse School Committee for 3 yrs

Field Drivers

Chose Daniel Wood, Warren Chadwick, Wm R. Kimball
Joseph H. James Charles Perley & Ancill Dorman

Pound Keepers

" Henry Moulton & Wm R. Kimball

Voted To pass over the 4th Article in regard to Road Commis-^{ioners}

" " take up the Second Article

Chose Surveyors of Highway

" Minot Killam, Andrew Frame, David M. Cole,
Albert H. Towne, John Parkhurst, O. P. Killam
B. Frank Barnes, George A. Harriman, Asa P. Howe,
Saml B. Carleton, Lunsy W. Perley, John K. Cole, Frank
E. Nason Henry Perley, R. D. Foster, George B. Austin,
Israel Herrick, Joseph H. James & S. W. Twichell -

Surveyors of Lumber

Chose John Parkhurst, Israel Herrick, Elbridge Perley,
S. W. Howe, Israel F. Spofford, Louis D. Hale, Stephen
Bixby D. F. Harriman, J. J. Porter, B. F. Peabody, John Pearl,
John K. Cole, & Wm B. Howe.

Measurers of Wood & Bark -

Chose John Peabody, Frank E. Nason, John K. Cole, J. M. Pearl,
J. J. Porter, John Parkhurst, B. F. Barnes, Isaac C. Day,
Saml P. Peabody, O. P. Killam, Saml B. Carleton
Andrew Frame, Henry Barker, P. C. Davis, John Day.

Fence Viewers

Chose J. W. Chadwick, Ancill Dorman, A. J. Henley.

1879

Chose Minot Killam Sealer of Weights & Measures Dorman
 Chose N. K. Fowler, Franklin Jagne, E. J. Batchelder, Ansill,
F. A. Howe, J. K. Cole, Chas Perley Wm F. Harriman & Danl Wood

Tythingmen

Voted That the Selectmen Print & Circulate the doings of the Town at or before the annual meeting March next -

Voted To accept the report of the Selectmen on Grave Posts & Boards & that the Selectmen put up Iron Grave Boards where needed -

Voted To accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds -

Voted To accept the Report of the Auditors -

Voted To accept the persons presented by the Selectmen for Jurors -

The following bills were allowed.

| | |
|--|-------|
| Geo W. Chadwick to Service as one of the Committee in the Lander Case vs Town of Bofford | 4.00 |
| also for Cash pd out in Said Case | 3.40 |
| also to service as one of the <u>Selectmen</u> assessors & <u>Overseers</u> of the <u>Poor</u> the <u>past year</u> | 50.00 |
| Ansill Dorman To Service as <u>Chairman</u> of the <u>Selectmen</u> Assessors and <u>Overseers</u> of the <u>Poor</u> the <u>past year</u> | 61.50 |
| To Cash pd. for <u>Postage Stationery Travel &c</u> | 23.58 |
| James H. Nason To Service as one of the <u>Selectmen</u> Assessors & <u>Overseers</u> of the <u>Poor</u> the <u>past year</u> | 30.00 |
| The Town To Wm R. Kimball Dr. as <u>Treasurer</u> and <u>Collector</u> the <u>past year</u> | 70.00 |

The following is the list of Jurors accepted by the Town

| | |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Charles A. Andrew | Andrew Frame |
| Charles R. Anderson | Elbridge Perley |
| Alonso J. Henley | Solomon W. Howe |
| Frank E. Nason | George Perley |
| Nathan K. Fowler | Israel Herrick |
| George B. Austin | Wm B. Howe |
| Gardner S. Morse | George B. Killam |

1879

Voted That all bills against the Town be presented to the Selectmen for allowance on or before Feb. 15th 1880 accept the Selectmens bills, and they to be presented to the Town at the annual meeting for allow^{ow}ance.

Voted That the School No 2 may use Seventy Dollars \$70.00 of unexpended Money belonging to that School the ensuing year.

Voted To raise One Thousand Dollars for the support of Schools the ensuing year.

Voted To raise Two Thousand Dollars to defray the necessary Charges and expenses of the town the ensuing year.

Voted To raise One Thousand Dollars for repairs and amendments of Highways and Bridges the current year and also two Hundred Dollars extra to be used by the Selectmen on the roads, as it may be required

Voted That the Selectmen on or before the fifteenth day of April next apportion to each Surveyor of Highways Such part of the amount voted for repairs of Highways as they may think best, having as far as may be regard to the condition of the roads in each Highway district - And it shall be the duty of each Surveyor faithfully and impartially to expend the Sum thus assigned to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his District

Voted That Surveyors of Highways and those under their employ be allowed as follows, viz For a man fifteen cents per hour, for a yoke of Oxen fifteen cts per hour for a horse & Cart fifteen cents per hour, for two horses and a Cart twenty cents per hour, and for a Plough Ox Shovel & Cart five cents each per hour while used on the Highways -

1879

Voted That the Taxes be Committed to the Collector within four days of the first day of September next, and that a discount of four per Cent be allowed on all Taxes paid voluntarily before the first day of October: and two per Ct on all paid before the first day of November, and all Taxes are to be Collected before the first day of Dec 1879

Voted That the breaking out of roads when encumbered with snow be left to the discretion of the Surveyors, and that the Compensation for such service be left with the Selectmen except twenty Cts per hour shall be paid for open in pathing Snow.

Voted That the Schools be Supplied with wood from the Town Farm, the wood to be Cut & housed - Said wood to be paid for to the Master of the Almshouse from the School money at \$7.00 per Cord for hard & \$5.00 per Cord for wood, and each School shall be provided with one Cord of Birch wood at the Spring term.

19th Art Passed over, in regard to the Road leading from near Daniel Andrews Mills past the house of Larkens Gould

Voted That the 40 Copies all ready Subscribed of the History of the Town shall be Sold one copy only to a person to those of the towns people who will pay one dollar per Copy for the Same: and the Selectmen, after the said 40 Copies shall be disposed of, (if they should be) shall obtain more copies of the work and continue the Sale: also, the Selectmen shall obtain what copies of the work the Town may need for their official use &c.

Voted To pass over 21 article in regard to discontinuing the Road by Old Burying ground in West Bofford

Voted To dissolve the meeting,
Attest B.S. Barnee,
Town Clerk -

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Boxford, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs held in the vestry in the 2^d Parish in said town on Monday the 5th day of May 1879

Wm R. Kimball was Chosen Moderator

Chose Wm E. Perley, in place of F. E. Vason Constable

" J. C. Day " do " do Surveyor of High^{ways}

John Day " " " Surveyor of Lumber

In regard to Stocking the ponds with useful Fish it was Voted that the Selectmen should Stock the Bald Pate Pond and it was left discretionary with the Selectmen in regard to Stocking other ponds in Town for the purpose of Cultivating useful Fish - in accordance with the provisions of sec 9 Chapt 384 acts of 1869 of the Commonwealth of Mass -

The above ponds to be Stocked for and at the expense of the Town of Boxford -

It was Voted that the Selectmen should meet the fish Commissioners at Boston May 10th/79 to oppose the Leasing of Bald Pate or any other Ponds in Boxford to out of town parties -

Voted To adjourn to Monday May 12 inst at 7 O'clock P.M. -

Agreeable to adjournment the legal Voters Met and Voted to authorize the Selectmen to Lease and Stock the 3 following Ponds viz.

Bald pate, Stileses & four Mile Ponds, with useful Fish, agreeable to the acts of 1869 of the Commonwealth of Mass

Voted to Dissolve the Meeting

May 12th/79

B. S. Barnes

Town Clerk -

1879

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Bofford qualified to vote in town affairs held in the Vestry in the Second parish on Tuesday the 14th day of October current at 2 O'clock P.M.

Wm R. Kimball was Chosen Moderator

Voted To ~~to~~ pass over 2^d article —
To ~~oppose~~ the new location of Highways petitioned for by Andrew Frame & others

Voted To leave the Claim of Mr. Vittum of Haverhill (for damage sustained as he alleges from a defect in the Highway in Bofford) with the Selectmen for Settlement.

Voted to Dissolve the Meeting

Bofford Oct 14th 1879

B. S. Barnes) Clerk

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Boylston qualified to vote in Elections held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said town on Tuesday the fourth day of November 1879 - for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor Councilors for the fifth District, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor of the Commonwealth, Attorney General, Senator for the fifth Essex District, a Representative to General Court for the fifteenth Essex District - A County Commissioner, a County Treasurer and a Register of Deeds for Essex County - all on one ballot

The polls were opened half past nine and closed at half past one

Whole number of ballots given in was one hundred & twenty two

The ballots were all sorted counted and recorded, and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs and were for the following persons viz

For Governor of the Commonwealth

John D. Long of Hingham eighty three
B. F. Butler " Lowell twenty four
John Q. Adams " Quincy fourteen

For Lieutenant Governor

Byron Weston of Dalton eighty three
A. C. Woodworth " Chickapee twenty four
Wm R. Plunket " Pittsfield fourteen

For Councilor fifth District

Wm Cogswell of Bradford eighty five
Charles A. Ropes " Salem fourteen
John M. Raymond Salem twenty

1879

For Secretary of State

Henry B. Peirce of Abington eighty seven
 Michael T. Donohoe " Somersville thirty three

For Treasurer and Receiver General

Charles Endicott of Canton eighty seven
 David N. Skillings of Winchester thirty five

For Auditor of the Commonwealth [see margin]

* ^{For Attorney General}
 Davis J. King of Boston twenty
 George Marston of New Bedford eighty seven
 Richard Olney " Boston fifteen
 Wm D. Northend of Salem twenty

For Senator for the fifth Essex District

Joseph Rose of Ipswich four
 Stephen Osgood of Georgetown eighty nine
 Ira O. Sawyer of Haverhill twenty seven

For a Representative to General Court 15 District

Wm H. Tozer of Ipswich - eighty seven
 Nathan R. Farley of Ipswich - seventeen
 James N. Webber of Ipswich - four

For a County Commissioner

Zachariah Graves of Lynn eighty seven
 J. Sidney Howe " Methuen fourteen
 George J. L. Colby of Newburyport twenty
 Sidney Howe Methuen one

For a County Treasurer

E. Kendall Jenkins of Andover eighty eight
 F. B. Mower - Lynn fourteen
 Benjamin A. Ward of Lynn twenty

For a Register of Deeds for Essex County

Charles S. Osgood of Salem eighty seven
 E. S. Knights " Marblehead fourteen
 Wm F. M. Collins of Salem twenty

Meeting Dissolved

B. S. Barnes

Town Clerk

* Davis J. King of Boston twenty
 Charles R. Ladd of Springfield eighty seven
 Charles R. Field " Greenfield fifteen
 (This was omitted when it was copied.
 + test: John W. Parkhurst)

At a meeting of the Clerks of the Towns of Ipswich Rowley & Bofford held at the office of the Clerk of Ipswich on Wednesday Nov 5th 1879-

For the purpose of ascertaining the result of the Election of a Representative to the next General Court for the 15th Essex District, the result in each town as ascertained by the officers thereof was as follows viz

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| In Ipswich for William H. Tozer | 193 |
| " Rowley " " " | 124 |
| " Bofford " " " | 87 |
| | <hr/> 404 |

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|--------------------------------|-----------|
| In Ipswich For James N. Webber | 250 |
| " Rowley " " " | 101 |
| " Bofford " " " | 4 |
| | <hr/> 355 |

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| For Nathaniel K. Farley | |
| Ipswich | 95 |
| Rowley | 22 |
| Bofford | 17 |
| | <hr/> 134 |

And it was ascertained that William H. Tozer of Ipswich was elected Representative for said District and certificates were made out accordingly

Attest B. S. Barnes
Town Clerk

1880

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford qualified to vote in Elections and in Town affairs, held in the Vestry of the Second Parish of said Town on Tuesday Jan 20th 1880 for the purpose of giving in their votes for one County Commissioner for the County of Essex.

The polls wer open at twelve oclock M and wer closed at four P. M.

The whole number of votes was twenty three

The votes wer all sorted counted and recorded & a public declaration mad thereof in open meeting as the law directs - and wer for the following persons.

Via

For County Commissioner
 Zachariah Grates of Lynn thirteen
 J. Sidney Howe of Methuen Seven
 George J. L. Colby of Newburyport three

Meeting Desolved Attest

B. S. Barnes

Town Clerk

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Bofford qualified to vote in Town affairs held in the Vestry of the Second Parish in said Bofford on Tuesday the twentieth day of January 1880 -

Art 1st To Choose a Moderator & Chose Wm R. Kimball Moderator

Art 2^d To See what action the town will take in regard to the construction of the road ordered by the County Commissioners on the petition of Andrew Frame & others, by a motion of James Sawyer on this article the town chose a Committee of three

Thomas Sawyer, Andrew Frame, & John K. Cole - this Committee to go before the County Commissioners and see if they will open the case in regard to the location of the road under consideration, the Committee is to Report their doings at annual meeting in march next

at 3 In regard to choosing Committies &c, their was 23 votes cast.

Passed Over - Meeting Desolved -

attest B. S. Barnes

Town Clerk -

1880

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Bofford qualified to vote in elections and town affairs at the vestry in the First Parish in Bofford on Monday the first day of March 1880

Chose

J. K. Cole Moderator

"

Ancill Dorman Town Clerk - The Clerk was sworn
in open meeting by
B. S. Barnes Esq

"

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| John Parkhurst | } Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor |
| Geo. W. Chadwick | |
| A. J. Henley | |

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| Albert H. Towne | } Constables |
| Charles R. Anderson | |

"

William R. Kimball Treasurer

"

William R. Kimball Collector

Voted

To suspend action on the 2nd and take up the 4th article

"

Not to accept the provisions of Ch 158 Laws of 1871 in regard to road Commissioners

"

To take up the 3rd article of the warrant.

Chose

Rev S. D. Gammell a member of the School Committee for three years.

Voted

To resume the 2nd article

Chose

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|------------------|-----------------|
| Wm R. Kimball | } Field drivers |
| Geo. S. Dodge | |
| Samuel P. Gurley | |
| J. H. Jones | |
| Ancill Dorman | |
| C. P. Killam | |

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|---------------|-----------------|
| Henry Moulton | } Pound keepers |
| Wm R. Kimball | |

1880

Chose

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|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| John T. Kennett | } Surveyors of Highways |
| Thomas Sawyer | |
| George S. Dodge | |
| Albert H. Towne | |
| Horace Berry | |
| Oliner P. Killam | |
| Elbridge Perley | |
| John G. Ladd | |
| Ara P. Howe | |
| Samuel B. Carleton | |
| Geo. W. Chadwick | |
| J. K. Cole | |
| Isaac C. Day | |
| Charles Perley 2 nd | |
| Reginald D. Foster | |
| Geo. B. Austin | |
| Israel Herrick | |
| Jos. H. James | |
| Geo. W. Twitchell | |

Chose

| | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Andrew Frame - John Parkhurst | } Surveyors of Lumber |
| Israel Herrick - S. W. Howe | |
| Stephen A. Bixby - John Pearl | |
| J. J. Porter - B. F. Peabody | |
| D. M. Cole - D. F. Harriman | |
| Surveyors of Lumber | |

Chose

| | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| John Pearl - Samuel P. Peabody | } Measurers of Wood & Bark |
| D. F. Harriman - D. M. Cole | |
| Andrew Frame - Wm W Howe | |
| Elbridge Perley - S. W. Howe | |
| Ara P. Howe - Stephen A. Bixby | |
| Horace Berry - Samuel B. Carleton | |
| <u>Measurers of Wood and Bark</u> | |

Chose

| | |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| Samuel P. Peabody | } Fence Viewers |
| Wm R. Kimball | |
| James W Chadwick | |

1880

Chose

John Peabody. Sealer of weights and measures

Voted

Not to choose Tythingmen

Chose

John Peabody } Auditors
Wm H Wood }

Voted

That the Report of the Auditors be circulated or left at the Post Office previous to the next annual meeting.

Voted

To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards

Voted

To accept the report of the Committee on school funds

Voted

To accept the following list of Jurors presented by the Selectmen viz.

Henry Moulton Daniel F. Harriman
 Stephen A. Birby James W. Chadwick
 Benj. Frank Barnes Charles R. Anderson
 Israel Herrick Alonzo J. Hensley
 James B. Sawyer Gardner S. Morse
 Richard F. Gurley Charles A. Andrew
 George Perley Geo W. Chadwick

Voted

To allow a bill of charge presented by Geo W. Chadwick for his services as chairman of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year \$105.00

To Cash paid for car fare Stationery Postage &c 13.12

" " " " printing Selectmen's Report 12.00

Total \$130.12

"

To allow a bill presented by B. S. Barnes for services as one of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the past year including \$10.50 for cash paid and extra service setting Posts &c \$69.50

"

To allow a bill presented by John K. Cole for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year \$33.50

Also for service as one of the Committee in the case of Kimball vs Boyford \$4.00

\$37.50

1880

- Voted To allow a bill presented by Wm R. Kimball for his services as Treasurer and Collector of taxes the past year \$70.00
- " To allow a bill presented by Geo. W. Chadwick for 3 Guide Posts & labor putting up Guide Boards \$4.75
- " To allow a bill presented by Wm E. Perley, constable, for arresting and conveying to Lawrence, two tramps \$3.00
- " That the Selectmen bring in their bills for services to the town for allowance, and that all other bills be presented to the Selectmen for allowance.
- " That the Selectmen close their accounts as early as the fifteenth day of February next
- " That all orders shall be signed by a majority of the Selectmen before being paid by the Treasurer
- " To raise one thousand dollars \$1000., for the support of schools the ensuing year to be expended according to the provisions of law.
- " To raise two thousand dollars \$2000., to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town the ensuing year.
- " To raise one thousand dollars \$1000., to be apportioned to the several surveyors for the repairs and amendments of Highways and Bridges the ensuing year.
- " To raise two hundred dollars \$200., to be used in cases of emergency for repairs and amendments of Highways
- " That the Selectmen on or before the fifteenth day of April next apportion to each surveyor of Highways such part of the amount voted for repairs as they may think best having regard as far as may be to the condition of the roads in each Highway District. And it shall be the duty of each Surveyor faithfully and impartially to expend the sum thus assigned to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his District.

1880

Voted That Surveyors of Highways and those under their employ be allowed as follows:

For a man fifteen cents per hour - for a yoke of Oxen fifteen cents per hour - for a Horse and Cart, fifteen cents per hour, for two Horses and a cart twenty cents per hour and for a Plow, Ox shovel & Cart, each five cents per hour while used on the Highways.

" That Surveyors do not work on the roads (except in dangerous places, until they receive their assignments from the Selectmen.

" That the breaking out of the roads when encumbered with snow be left to the discretion of the surveyors, and that the compensation for such service be left to the discretion of the Selectmen except that twenty cents per hour shall be allowed for a yoke of oxen in said service.

" That the taxes be committed to the Collector within four days of the first day of September next, and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid before the first day of October - and two per cent on all paid before the first day of November, and all taxes are to be collected before the first day of December 1880.

" That the Assessors commence and improve from year to year as far as may be, the manner of making out our valuation so it may conform to the requirements of the law in that behalf.

" That the schools be supplied with wood from the Town farm, to be cut and housed, and paid for from the School money to the Master of the Almshouse.

" That the Selectmen be instructed to go forward and stock the three Ponds leased to the town, with Black Bass, in accordance with arrangements made with the Fish Commissioners.

" That the School Committee be instructed to put new seats in School house No 2 also in No 3, to repaint Sc House No 4 and make such other repairs on the School Houses as may be needed.

1880

Voted To choose a Committee of three by ballot, to see to the working of the road as ordered by the County Commissioners on petition of Andrew Frame and others.

Chose John K. Cole
Andrew Frame
Thomas Sawyer } Committee

Voted That the Committee let out the working of the road in sections to the lowest bidder.

" To abate the taxes set to the following persons by request of Minot Killam Viz: Theo. Fry \$2.00 - C. C. Stevens \$2.00 - Wm A. Harnden \$1.09 - J. L. Adams \$2.00 - Stephen Fowler \$2.00 - Wm Gunnison \$2.00 - Edward Hussey \$2.00 - W. D. Lander \$2.74 - Wm H. Newhall \$2.00 - C. Pearson \$1.95 - Oliver Russell \$2.00 - Charles W. Tarbot \$2.00

" To accept the widening of the road near the house of B. F. Peabody as verbally reported by the Selectmen

" To adopt the following By Laws concerning Truant Children Article 1. The town of Bofford hereby avails itself of the several provisions of the Statutes of this Commonwealth now in force, relating to habitual truants and absentees from school; and in pursuance of authority conferred thereby, adopts the following By Laws.

Article 2. All children between the ages of seven and fifteen years residing in said town, and who may be found wandering about in the streets or public places of said town having no lawful occupation or business, not attending school and growing up in ignorance, shall be committed to the most available institution for confinement, instruction and discipline.

Art. 3. Two or more truant officers shall be appointed annually whose duty it shall be to inquire into all violations of the Truant laws and of the law relating to compulsory education, and to do all the acts required of them by the laws of the Commonwealth.

over

1880

Art. 4. It shall be the duty of every truant officer prior to making any complaint under these laws, to notify the truant or the absentee from school, also his parent or guardian of the offence committed and of the penalty therefor; and if the truant officer can obtain satisfactory pledges for the restraint and reformation of the child, he may forbear to prosecute, so long as such pledges are faithfully kept.

Art. 5. It shall be the duty of the school committee, the teachers of the public schools and the citizens generally to aid the truant officers as far as possible in the discharge of their duty.

Art. 6. It shall be the duty of the truant-officer to keep a full record of all their official acts, and make an annual report thereof to the School Committee, who shall publish the same with their own report.

Art. 7. Nothing in these By-Laws shall be so construed as to alter or impair the obligation and duty of teachers to enforce punctuality and regularity of attendance and to preserve good order and discipline

Voted to dissolve the Meeting

Attest

Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

1880

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boyford qualified as by the constitution required to vote in elections, held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Tuesday the second day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty for the purpose of giving in their votes for the number of Electors of President and Vice President of the United States to which this Commonwealth is entitled, Also for a Representative in Congress for the Sixth District Also for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor and Attorney General of the Commonwealth; for a Councillor for the Fifth District, For a Senator for the Fifth Essex District - a Representative to General Court for the Fifteenth Essex District, Three Commissioners of Insolvency, District Attorney - Sheriff - One County Commissioner Two Special Commissioners All on one ballot

The polls were opened at twenty minutes past ten o'clock and closed at twenty four minutes after two

The whole number of ballots given in was The ballots were all sorted counted recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs and were for the following persons viz.

For Electors of President and Vice President.

At Large

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| Paul A. Chadbourne of Williamstown | had one hundred and | ^{twelve} |
| John M. Forbes of Milton | had one hundred and twelve | |
| Josiah S. Abbott " Boston " | fifty eight | |
| Jonas H. French " Gloucester " | fifty eight | |

District No 1

| | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| Marshall S. Underwood of Dennis | One hundred and twelve |
| Philander Cobb of Kingston | fifty eight |

District No 2

William C. Lovering of Taunton One hundred and twelve
 Peter Butler of Quincy fifty eight

District No 3

Moody Merrill of Boston One hundred and twelve
 Edward B. Rankin of Boston fifty eight

District No 4

Rufus S. Frost of Chelsea One hundred and thirteen
 Charles Levi Woodbury of Boston fifty seven

District No 5

Amos F. Breed of Lynn One hundred and thirteen
 Christopher E. Rymes of Somerville fifty seven

District No 6

Augustus N. Clark of Beverly One hundred and twelve
 James H. Carleton of Haverhill fifty eight

District No 7

Francis Jewett of Lowell one hundred and twelve
 John C. Sanborn of Lawrence fifty eight

District No 8

James M. W. Hall of Cambridge One hundred and twelve
 Leverett Saltonstall of Newton fifty eight

District No 9

Charles E. Whitten of Northbridge one hundred and twelve
 Edwin Conant of Worcester fifty eight

District No 10

William B. C. Parsons of Holyoke one hundred and twelve
 Nahum Harwood of Leominster fifty eight

District No 11

William C. Plunkett of Adams one hundred and twelve
 Samuel W. Bowerman of Pittsfield fifty eight

For Representative to Congress 6th Mass District

Eben F. Stone of Newburyport had one hundred & seven
 Eben Moody Boynton of West Newbury Sixty four

For Governor of the Commonwealth

John D. Long of Hingham had one hundred and ⁽²⁰⁹⁾nine
 Charles P. Thompson of Gloucester. Sixty two

For Lieutenant Governor

Byron Weston of Dalton one hundred and nine
 Alpa E. Thompson of Woburn Sixty one

For Secretary of State

Henry B. Peirce of Abington one hundred and fourteen
 Michael T. Donahue of Somerville fifty seven.

For Treasurer and Receiver General

Daniel A. Gleason of Medford one hundred and thirteen
 Francis J. Parker of Newton fifty nine

For Auditor

Charles R. Ladd of Springfield one hundred and ^{twelve}and
 Charles R. Field of Greenfield fifty nine

For Attorney General

George Marston of New Bedford one hundred and ^{eleven}and
 Patrick A. Collins of Boston fifty nine

For Councillor 5th Essex District

Joseph Davis of Lynn one hundred and six
 Joseph S. Davis of " six
 Forrest L. Evans of Salem fifty nine

For District Attorney

Edgar J. Sherman of Lawrence one hundred and ^{twelve}and
 David O. Allen of Lynn fifty nine

For Sheriff

Horatio G. Herrick of Lawrence, one hundred and nine
 J. Sidney Howe of Methuen Sixty three

For County Commissioner

Zachariah Graves of Lynn one hundred and twelve
 Samuel M. Currier of Haverhill fifty eight

For Special Commissioners

Aaron Sawyer of Amesbury one hundred & twelve
 Orlando B. Tenney of Georgetown one hundred and thirteen
 Mark Jewett of Rowley fifty nine
 W. Frank Shepard of Marblehead fifty eight

For Commissioners of Insolvency

Nathaniel J. Holden of Salem one hundred & twelve
 Warren Tilton of Haverhill one hundred & twelve
 William L. Thompson of Lawrence one hundred & twelve
 Harrison G. Johnson of Newburyport fifty nine
 John C. Sanborn of Lawrence fifty nine
 Patrick J. McCusker of Salem fifty nine

For Senator for 5th Essex District

Charles B. Rice of Danvers One hundred and four
 Benjamin F. Brickett of Haverhill Sixty six

For Representative to Gen Court 15th Essex District

Alonzo B. Fellows of Ipswich one hundred & eleven
 Edward Dole of Ipswich Sixty

Meeting Dissolved

Attest

Ancill Dorman

Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Clerks of the towns of Ipswich, Rowley and Bofford held at the office of the Town Clerk of Ipswich on Wednesday the third day of November 1880 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the vote for Representative to the next General Court in the Fifteenth Essex District, the result in each town as presented by the Clerks thereof was as follows:

In Ipswich

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| Alonzo B. Fellows of Ipswich had | 370- |
| Edward Dole of Ipswich had | 323 |

In Rowley

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| Alonzo B. Fellows " " " | 160 |
| Edward Dole " " " | 117 |

In Bofford

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| Alonzo B. Fellows " " " | 111 |
| Edward Dole " " " | 60 |

Shewing that Alonzo B. Fellows was chosen by one hundred and forty one majority, and certificates of his election were made out accordingly

Attest

Ancill Dorman
Town Clerk.

Dec 3, 1880

I hereby certify that in accordance with the provisions of law I have destroyed the ballots cast at the last November election

Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

1881

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boyford qualified to vote in elections and town affairs held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town on Monday the seventh day of March A. D. 1881

- Chose William R. Kimball Moderator
- " Ancill Dorman Town Clerk. The Clerk was in
open meeting by
James H. Webster
Justice of the Peace
- " George W. Chadwick } Selectmen
John Parkhurst } Assessors and
Charles Perley 2nd } Overseers of the Poor
- " Albert H. Towne } Constables
Charles R. Anderson }
- " William R. Kimball Treasurer
- " William R. Kimball Collector
- " Daniel Bixby }
John Peabody }
B. F. Barnes } Field
Wm R Kimball } Drivers
Oliver P. Killam }
Daniel F. Harriman }
- " Henry Moulton } Pound Keepers
Wm R. Kimball }
- Voted To suspend action on the 2nd article in the warrant
and take up the 5th article
- " Not to choose Road Commissioners
- " To resume the 2nd article and to choose Surveyors of Highways by ballot.
- Chose Charles A. Tibbets }
George P. Frame } Surveyors of
James H. Webster } Highways
Albert H. Towne }

Surveyors continued

Chose

| | |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| Horace Berry | } Surveyors of Highways |
| John T. Wood | |
| B. F. Barnes | |
| William K. Cole | |
| Asa P. Howe | |
| Israel F. Spofford | |
| Charles Perley | |
| John K. Cole | |
| Isaac C. Day | |
| Henry Perley | |
| William E. Stetson | |
| James W. Chadwick | |
| Israel Herrick | |
| Joseph H. Jones | |
| George W. Twitchell | |

Chose

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|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Elbridge Perley | } Surveyors of Lumber |
| John Parkhurst | |
| B. Frank Barnes | |
| Samuel P. Peabody | |
| Israel Herrick | |
| Stephen A. Bisby | |
| George W. Twitchell | |
| Andrew Frame | |
| John H. Nason | |
| John Pearl | |
| William K. Cole | } Measurers of Wood and Bark |

Chose

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|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| Stephen A. Bisby | } Measurers of Wood and Bark |
| Andrew Frame | |
| B. F. Barnes | |
| S. P. Peabody | |
| Israel Herrick | |
| John Parkhurst | |
| Henry Perley | |
| William R. Kimball | |
| Warren M. Cole | |
| William K. Cole | |
| Isaac C. Day | } |
| John M. Pearl | |

1881

Chose

| | | |
|--------------------|---|---------------|
| William R. Kimball | } | Fence Viewers |
| James W. Chadwick | | |
| John H. Cole | | |

Voted

To choose eight Tythingmen in the First Parish
to enforce the proper observance of the Sabbath

Chose

| | | | |
|-------------------|---|------------|-----------------|
| F. A. Howe | } | Tythingmen | |
| Samuel P. Gursley | | | |
| John Peabody | | | |
| Moody Perley | | | |
| Wm W Howe | | | |
| Jeremiah Rea | | | in |
| L. H. Cheney | | | First Parish |
| Richard K. Foster | | | |

Voted

To add two
more & chose

Deacon Potter
Wm A. Howe

Chose

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|--------------------|---|------------|----|------------------|
| C. R. Anderson | } | Tythingmen | | |
| J. W. Chadwick | | | | |
| D. M. Cole | | | | |
| C. H. Thwing | | | in | |
| Charles Perley | | | | |
| George W. Chadwick | | | | Second Parish |
| N. K. Fowler | | | | |
| J. C. Day | | | | |

Chose

| | | |
|---------------|---|----------|
| Sidney Perley | } | Auditors |
| E. E. Pearl | | |

Voted

That the Auditors print and circulate their Report
before the next annual meeting and include in it
a copy of the warrant for the meeting.

Chose

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| S. F. Ayers | } | Sealer of Weights and Measures |
| | | |

Voted

To take up the 4th Article.

Voted

That the School Committee be required to appoint
a Superintendent of Schools the current year

1881

Voted To instruct the Committee not to pay more than one hundred dollars for the Salary of Superintendent.

Voted To take up the 3rd article.

Chose James H. Webster School Committee for 3 years

" Rev W. S. Coggin " " " 2 "

Voted To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards

Voted To take up the 8th Article

" To allow a bill of charge presented by S. S. Morse and Annie Batchelder for balance of Salaries for teaching winter terms in Schools No 3, & No 4. \$84.06

" To allow a bill presented by Annie F. Turtchell for service as School Committee including travel 27.40
For Repairs on School house No 1 \$2.00
29.40

" To allow a bill presented by A. J. Henley for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year \$40.00

" To allow a bill presented by John Parkhurst for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the year 1880 \$60.00

" To allow a bill presented by Geo. W. Chadwick for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year including extra service \$95.00

To cash paid for Justice fees 2.50

" " Car fare 1.50

" Stationery 1.60

" Postage Money orders &c. \$3.61

104.21

" To allow a bill presented by Wm R. Kimball for service as Treasurer & Collector the past year \$70.00

1881

- Voted To to take up the 7th Article
- " To accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds.
- " That the Selectmen bring in their bills to the town for allowance, and that all other bills be presented to the Selectmen for allowance.
- " To raise twelve hundred dollars (\$1200.) for the Support of Schools, and that one hundred and fifty dollars \$150. of the same be expended in teaching Music in the Schools.
- " To raise two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2500.) to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town the ensuing year.
- " To raise one thousand dollars (\$1000.) for repairs and amendments of Highways and Bridges. Also Voted to raise two hundred dollars in addition to the above to be used in cases of emergency, for repairs of Highways.
- " That the Selectmen on or before the fifteenth day of April next apportion to each surveyor of Highways such part of the amount voted for repairs as they may think best, having regard as far as may be to the condition of the roads in each Highway District - And it shall be the duty of each Surveyor faithfully and impartially to expend the sum thus assigned to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his District
- " That Surveyors of Highways and those under their employ be allowed as follows: for a man fifteen cents per hour - for a yoke of oxen twenty cents per hour for a Horse and Cart 20 cents per hour - for two Horses and a Cart thirty cents per hour - and for a Plow - Ox shovel and Ox cart each five cents per hour while used on the Highways.

1881

Voted

That the manner of breaking out the roads when encumbered with snow, be left to the discretion of the surveyors - and that they shall allow for a pair of horses thirty cents per hour, and for a man and a yoke of oxen each twenty cents per hour.

"

That the taxes be committed to the Collector on or before the tenth day of September next, and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid before the first day of October - and two per cent on all paid before the first day of November, and that all taxes be collected before the first day of December 1881.

"

To have a valuation of estates Taken the ensuing year

"

That the Selectmen shall be a committee to take the valuation with two additional Committee chosen one from each Parish, the same to be assessors

"

That the Committee be instructed after completing the valuation to have a suitable number of copies printed for distribution

"

To take up the 2nd article

Chose

Henry A. Towne } Additional Committee
James W. Chadwick } and Assessors

Voted

To take up the 22nd article

"

Not to ask the Legislature to extend to women who are citizens the right to hold town Offices and to vote in town affairs

"

To accept the Report of the Auditors (Printed)
(over)

1881

- Voted To accept the following list of Jurors submitted by the Selectmen. Viz.
- | | |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| Israel Herrick | Daniel F. Harriman |
| James P. Cleaveland | James W. Chadwick |
| Albert H. Towne | John Pearl |
| B. Frank Barnes | William R. Kimball |
| James B. Sawyer | William F. Harriman |
| Solomon W. Howe | George B. Austin |
| Horace Berry | James H. Nason |
| Henry Perley | Charles Perley |
- " That the Schools be supplied with fuel from the town farm, to be cut and hauled, and paid for from the school money to the Master of the Almshouse.
- " To leave the matter of protecting and maintaining our useful fishes with the Selectmen.
- " To leave the matter of improving the grounds around the several School-Houses with the School Committee.
- " To abate the following taxes Viz:
- Edward De Mare \$2.00 - Stephen P. Fowler \$2.00 - E. Scidmore \$2.00 - Gurley \$2.00 - William Gunnison \$2.00 - Daniel Russell \$4.00 - Wid Mary J. Rose \$1.28 - William E. Stetson \$2.00
- " To commit to the custody of the two Public Libraries the books furnished by the State marked "Public Documents" to be divided by the Town Clerk and one half delivered to the Public Library located in each Parish.

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Attest

Ancill Dorman
Town Clerk

1881

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boyford qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town on Monday the Twenty seventh day of June A.D. 1881 -

William R. Kimball Esq. - was chosen Moderator
 Voted That the Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire such amount of money as may be necessary to meet the demands on the Treasury till the first day of October next, the same to be paid from the avails of the town taxes the current year or of the year 1882.

Voted To indefinitely postpone all action on the third article of the warrant (which related to the renewal of the town notes)

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Attest Ancill Dorman
 Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boyford qualified to vote in town affairs, held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said town on Wednesday the 12th day of October 1881.

Geo. W. Chadwick was chosen Moderator

Voted To accept the action of the Selectmen in laying out a town way from near the Rail Road Depot through land of Mrs Lucinda Lowe to the road leading by the house of John Hale (see report at the end of this record)

Voted That the Selectmen be a Committee to let out the working of said road.

Voted That the Selectmen be directed to let out the working of the road either in one or two sections to the lowest bidder, to be worked according to their direction and to

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their acceptance.

Voted That the road be worked and completed before the first day of December next

Voted To Dissolve the Meeting

Attest

Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

Report
on the
new road

The following is the report of the Selectmen alluded to in the foregoing record.

We the Selectmen of the Town of Bofford having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way, have laid out such town way as follows: Beginning at a monument on the southerly side of the road leading by the house of John Hale in said Bofford at the land of Mrs Lucinda Lowe, then through said Lowe's land southeasterly seventy three and one half rods to the roads near the freight Depot: the said town way to be three rods in width from the westerly line of said railroad - and we have agreed to award the owner of the land over which said town way passes for her damages is as follows, One and three eighths acres of land Sixty Dollars (\$60.) To seventy three and one half rods of fence seventy five Dollars.

And your Selectmen hereby respectfully report said town way to the Town for its acceptance

Dated at Bofford this third day of October in the year 1881

Geo W Chadwick } Selectmen
John Parkhurst } of Bofford

a true copy
Attest

Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

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November
Meeting

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Bofford qualified as by the constitution required to vote in elections, held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town on Tuesday the eighth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty one for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth, a Councillor for the Fifth District Secretary of the Commonwealth - Treasurer and Receiver General - Auditor of the Commonwealth - Attorney General - and for Senator Fifth Essex District, for County Commissioner, for a Representative fifteenth Essex District in General Court - a Clerk of the Courts Also on article of amendment of the Constitution Yes, or No.

article of amendment

No person having served in the army or navy of the United States in time of war and having been honorably discharged from such service if otherwise qualified to vote, shall be disqualified therefor on account of being a pauper, or if a pauper because of the non-payment of a Poll tax, all on one ballot.

The polls were opened at eighteen minutes past ten o'clock A. M. and closed at eighteen minutes past two P. M.

The ballots were all sorted counted and recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs and were for the following persons viz:

For Governor of the Commonwealth

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| John D. Long of Dillingham | Fifty four |
| Charles P. Thompson of Gloucester | Fifteen |
| Israel W. Andrews of Danvers | One |

For Lieutenant Governor

Byron Weston of Dalton Fifty seven
 James H. Carleton of Haverhill Fourteen
 George Dutton of Springfield one

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

Henry B. Pierce of Abington Fifty seven
 Michael J. Donahue of Somerville Fourteen
 Aaron B. Brown of Worcester one

For Treasurer and Receiver General

Daniel A. Gleason of Medford Fifty seven
 William A. Hodges of Quincy Fourteen
 George Foster of Lynn one

For Auditor

Charles R. Ladd of Springfield Fifty seven
 Charles R. Field of Greenfield Fourteen
 Wilbur F. Whitney of Ashburnham one

For Attorney General

George Marston of New Bedford Fifty seven
 Patrick A. Collins of Boston Fourteen
 David C. Allen of Lynn one

For Councillor Fifth District

Joseph Davis of Lynn Fifty seven
 Forrest L. Evans of Salem Fourteen
 Samuel B. Gregory of Hamilton one

For County Commissioner

John W. Raymond of Beverly Fifty seven
 George W. Brown of Marblehead Fourteen
 Andrew H. Paton of Danvers one

For Clerk of Courts

Alfred A. Abbott of Peabody Seventy one

For Senator for the Fifth Essex District

Augustus Mudge of Danvers Fifty seven
 Benjamin P. Adams of Topsfield Eighteen
 Henry M. Nelson of Georgetown Three

For Representative to General Court for the
Fifteenth Essex District

Milton Ellsworth of Rowley Fifty six
 Joseph F. Ross of Ipswich Fifteen

Article of amendment of the Constitution

Yes Four
 No Fifty five

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Attest

Ancill Dorman
 Town Clerk.

1881

Nov 8,

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in town affairs held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said town on Tuesday the eighth day of November 1881.

George W. Chadwick was chosen Moderator

Voted To build a new School house to be located as near as conveniently may be to the site formerly occupied by the Old Fifth District School house

Voted To choose a Committee of three to Oversee the building of said School house

Chose

| | | |
|--------------------|---|-----------|
| Israel F. Spofford | } | Committee |
| James H. Webster | | |
| Albert H. Towne | | |

Voted That the expense of said School house including furniture site & outbuildings, shall not exceed one thousand dollars

Voted That the house be completed on or before the fifteenth day of May next.

Voted That the Selectmen and building committee be authorized to accept the house when properly completed.

Voted That the Selection and procuring of a lot of land on which to erect a School house be left to the Selectmen

Voted To pass over the third article in the warrant

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

Attest

Ancill Dorman
Town Clerk.

1881

Nov 9

At a meeting of the Clerks of the towns of Ipswich, Rowley and Boyford held at the office of the town Clerk of Ipswich on Wednesday the ninth day of November 1881 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the vote cast the day previous, for Representative to the next General Court in the Fifteenth Essex District, the result in each town as presented by the clerks thereof were as follows:

In Ipswich

Milton Ellsworth of Rowley 205 - Joseph F. Ross of Ipswich 119

In Rowley

Milton Ellsworth " " 115 Joseph F. Ross " " 58

In Boyford

Milton Ellsworth " " $\frac{56}{376}$ Joseph F. Ross " " $\frac{15}{192}$

Shewing that Milton Ellsworth was chosen by one hundred and eighty four majority and certificates of his election were made out accordingly.

Attest

Nov 9, 1881.

Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

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At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boyford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Monday the sixth day of March A.D. 1882

Chose

John K. Cole Moderator

Chose

Ancill Dorman Town Clerk The Clerk was sworn
in open meeting by B. S. Barner
Justice of the Peace

Chose

John Parkhurst }
Geo W. Chadwick } Selectmen
Israel F. Spofford }

"

Albert H. Towne }
Charles R. Anderson } Constables

"

Edward E. Pearl } Treasurer

"

Edward E. Pearl } Collector

"

Asa P. Howe }
Daniel Bixby }
Geo. B. Killam } Field
William A. Howe }
John Arczell }
Israel F. Spofford } Drivers
Samuel B. Carleton }
Wm R. Kimball }
Charles Perley }
Charles A. Andrew }
James H. Webster }

"

Henry Moulton } Pound
Wm R. Kimball } Keepers

"

William W. Howe } Surveyors
Geo. W. Curtis }
Marshal C. Whittier } Highways

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| | | | |
|--------------------|---|-----------|----|
| Stephen Bixby | } | Surveyors | |
| Horace Berry | | | |
| Roscoe Cole | | | |
| B. F. Barnes | | | |
| Geo A. Harriman | | | |
| Asa P. Howe | | } | of |
| Israel F. Spofford | | | |
| Geo W. Chadwick | | | |
| John K. Cole | | | |
| Wm R. Kimball | | | |
| Henry Perley | } | Highways | |
| Reginald D. Foster | | | |
| Thomas L. Spofford | | | |
| Israel Herrick | | | |
| Geo W. Twitchell | | | |
| F. A. Howe | | | |

Chose

| | | | |
|--------------------|---|-----------|--------------|
| Israel Herrick | } | Surveyors | |
| Elbridge Perley | | | |
| Stephen A. Bixby | | | |
| Charles A. Tibbets | | | |
| Solomon W. Howe | | | |
| John Parkhurst | | } | of Lumber |
| D. F. Harriman | | | |
| J. Horace Nason | | | |
| John Pearl | | | |
| I. F. Spofford | | | |

"

| | | | |
|---------------------|---|-----------|-------------------|
| John Peabody | } | Measurers | |
| Geo P. Frame | | | |
| Stephen A. Bixby | | | |
| Humphrey Perley Jr. | | | |
| Samuel P. Peabody | | | |
| Warren M. Cole | | } | of Wood & Bark |
| John Pearl | | | |
| Daniel F. Harriman | | | |
| Wm K. Cole | | | |
| James H. Webster | | | |

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Chose

Wm R. Kimball }
 John K. Cole } Fence Viewers
 Oliver P. Killam }

Voted

To dispense with choosing Tythingmen

Chose

John Peabody } Auditors
 Wm R. Kimball }

"

John Peabody } Sealer of weights & measures

"

F. J. Stevens School Committee for three years

"

F. A. Howe " " " one year

Voted

That the School Committee be required to appoint a Superintendent of Schools.

"

To instruct the Committee not to pay more than one hundred dollars for Superintendents services

"

To accept the Report of the Selectmen on Guide Boards

"

To accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds

"

That the Selectmen bring in all their bills for services, to the town for allowance, and that all other bills be presented to the Selectmen for allowance

"

To raise twelve hundred dollars (\$1200.) for support of Schools the current year.

"

To raise one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.) in addition to the above to be appropriated for instruction in music.

"

To pass over the 9th article in the warrant relative to the bequest of the late J. Tyler Barker for a Free School in Bofford.

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Voted

That the Treasurer with the approbation of the Selectmen, be authorized to renew such of the town notes as the holders thereof may wish to have renewed,

(This vote was passed unanimously 64 in favor & none against)

" To raise three thousand five hundred dollars \$3500., to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town the ensuing year

" To raise One thousand dollars \$1000., for repairs and amendments of Highways & Bridges the ensuing year

" That the Selectmen on or before the fifteenth day of April next apportion to each surveyor of Highways such part of the amount raised for repairs as they may think best, having regard as far as may be to the condition of the roads in each Highway District And it shall be the duty of each surveyor faithfully and impartially to expend the sum thus assigned to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his District.

" That Surveyors of Highways and those under their employ be allowed as follows: for a man fifteen cents per hour - for a yoke of oxen twenty cents per hour - for a Horse and Cart twenty cents per hour - for two Horses and a cart thirty cents per hour, and for a Plow, Ox shovel & Ox Cart each five cents per hour while used on the Highways.

" That the manner of breaking out the roads when encumbered with snow be left to the discretion of the Surveyors and that they shall allow for a pair of Horses thirty cents per hour - and for a man and for a yoke of Oxen each twenty cents per hour.

" That the taxes be committed to the Collector on or before the tenth day of September next - and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid before the first day of October - and two per cent on all

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paid before the first day of November, and that all taxes be collected before the first day of January 1883.

- Voted To instruct the Collector to finish up the collection of his list of taxes in accordance with the vote of the town.
- " To supply the Schools with fuel from the Town farm to be cut and hosed and paid for from the School money to the Master of the Almshouse
- " To leave the matter of protecting and maintaining our our useful fishes with the Selectmen
- " To pass over the 18th article relative to Woman suffrage &c (vote passed 37 to 23)

On the question "To see if the town will vote to grant licenses for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors the result was Yeas 2. Nays 45"

- Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Geo. W. Chadwick for services as Chairman of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year

| | |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| To cash paid for car fare | 71.00 |
| " " " Books & Stationery | 6.50 |
| " " " Postage & drafts | 2.64 |
| " " " Justices fees | 2.51 |
| | <u>3.50</u> |
| | \$ 86.15 |

- " To allow a bill presented by John Parkhurst for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| To cash paid for Posters Stamp &c | 53.00 |
| | 1.89 |
| | <u>54.89</u> |

- " To allow a bill of charge presented by Charles Perley 2nd for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor-

\$ 30.00

- " To allow a bill presented by Geo. W. Chadwick for services as one of the Assessors taking the valuation the past year and preparing list-

71 days @ \$2. per day \$ 142.00

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- Voted To allow a bill presented by John Parkhurst for service as Assessor in taking the Valuation 29½ days \$59.00
- " To allow a bill presented by Charles Perley 2nd for service as Assessor in taking the Valuation 54 days @ \$2. \$108.00
- " To allow a bill presented by J. Warren Chadwick for service in taking the Valuation 29½ days @ \$2. \$59.00
- " To allow a bill presented by H. A. Towne for service taking the Valuation 52½ days @ \$2. \$105.00
- " To allow a bill presented by Gardner S. Morse for service as Superintendent of Schools the past year \$100.00
- " To accept the the following list of jurors presented by the Selectmen.
- | | |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| James P. Cleaveland | John Pearl |
| Albert H. Towne | J. Warren Chadwick |
| B. Frank Barnes | Daniel F. Harriman |
| James B. Sawyer | George B. Austin |
| Solomon W. Howe | Wm. F. Harriman |
| Horace Berry | Charles Perley |
| Henry Perley | |
- " To accept the Report of the Auditors (Printed)
- " The thanks of the town to the Auditors for their very interesting Report (Passed on motion of W. K. Fowler)
- " That the Treasurer with the approbation of the Selectmen be authorized to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary for the payment of the demands on the Treasury in anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year and payable therefrom.
- " To take up the 2nd article of the warrant
- Chose James H. Webster Field Driver and he was added to the list in the record

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Voted To instruct the Selectmen to appoint ten Police Officers five in each Parish -

Voted The thanks of the meeting to Dea. J. K. Cole for the acceptable manner with which he has discharged the duties of Moderator.

Voted To Dissolve the Meeting

Attest

Amell Dorman } Town Clerk

State
Election
Nov 7.

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified as by the constitution required to vote in elections held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Tuesday the seventh day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty two, for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Representative in Congress District No 7. Governor of the Commonwealth, Lieutenant Governor, Councillor District No 5, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor of the Commonwealth, Attorney General, Treasurer County of Essex, County Commissioner Register of Deeds southern Essex District, Senator Fifth Essex District, Representative in General Court Fifteenth Essex District. All on one ballot.

The polls were opened at two minutes past ten o'clock A. M. and closed in accordance with a vote of the town, at four minutes past two P. M.

The ballots were all sorted counted and recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs and were for the following persons
Viz:

| over |

For Governor of the Commonwealth

Robert R. Bishop of Newton Ninety five
 Benjamin F. Butler of Lowell Forty six

For Lieutenant Governor

Oliver Ames of Easton Ninety seven
 Samuel W. Bowerman of Pittsfield Forty five
 George Dutton of Springfield one

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

Henry B. Pierce of Abington Ninety seven
 David N. Skillings of Winchester Forty five
 John Howes of Worcester one

For Treasurer and Receiver General

Daniel A. Gleason of Medford Ninety seven
 William A. Hodges of Quincy Forty five
 George Foster of Lynn one

For Auditor

Charles R. Ladd of Springfield Ninety six
 John P. Sweeney of Lawrence Forty six
 Augustus L. Merchant of Everett one

For Attorney General

Edgar J. Sherman of Lawrence Ninety six
 George F. Verry of Worcester Forty five
 Elmer A. Snow Athol one

For Representative to Congress 7th District

Eben F. Stone of Newburyport Ninety three
 Charles P. Thompson of Gloucester Forty six
 E. Moody Boynton of West Newbury Two

For Councillor 5th District

Edward H. Haskell of Gloucester Ninety seven
 Alfred A. Mower of Lynn Forty five
 Charles H. Richmond of Marblehead one

For County Commissioner

Edward B. Bishop of Haverhill one hundred & two
 George J. L. Colby of Newburyport Thirty nine
 Joseph Ridgeway of Haverhill one

For County Treasurer

E. Kendall Jenkins of North Andover Seventy one
 E. Kendall Jenkins of Andover Seventy one

For Register of Deeds southern District

Charles S. Asgord of Salem One hundred and forty ^{two}
 Francis H. Caskins of Danvers one

For Senator 5th Essex District

Nathan S. Kimball of Haverhill Eighty five
 Edwin Bowley of Haverhill Fifty three
 Henry M. Nelson of Georgetown Three

For Representative to General Court 15th Essex District

William R. Kimball of Boxford Sixty seven
 George W. Chadwick of Boxford Sixty four

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Attest

Ancill Dorman
 Town Clerk

1882

Nov 8.

At a meeting of the Clerks of the towns of Ipswich Rowley and Bofford held at the office of town Clerk of Ipswich on Wednesday the eighth day of November 1882 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the vote cast the day previous for Representative to the next General Court in the Fifteenth Essex District, the result in each town as presented by the Clerks thereof was as follows.

In Ipswich.

William R. Kimball of Bofford had 334

George W. Chadwick of Bofford had 304

In Rowley

William R. Kimball of Bofford had 136

" " " " " " " 97

In Bofford

William R. Kimball of Bofford " 67

" " " " " " " 64

537

465

Showing that William R. Kimball of Bofford was chosen by a majority of seventy two votes, and certificates of his election were made out accordingly

Attest

Nov 8, 1882

Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

I hereby certify that in accordance with the provisions of law in that behalf I have destroyed the ballots cast at the last November Election

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Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

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At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town on Monday the fifth day of March A.D. 1883. the said inhabitants

Chose Edward E. Pearl Moderator

" Ancill Dorman Town Clerk

The Clerk was sworn in open meeting by B. S. Barnes a Justice of the Peace

| | | |
|---|--------------------------------|---|
| " | George W. Chadwick | } Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor |
| | John Parkhurst | |
| | Charles Perley 2 nd | |

| | | |
|---|---------------------|--------------|
| " | Albert H. Towne | } Constables |
| | Charles R. Anderson | |

" Edward E. Pearl } Treasurer

Voted To appoint the Treasurer, collector of taxes

| | | | |
|-------|--------------------|---|-------|
| Chose | Daniel A. Howe | } | Field |
| | Wm M. Andrews | | |
| | Jeremiah Rea | | |
| | Samuel B. Carleton | | |
| | A. J. Henley | | |

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|--|------------------|---|---------|
| | Daniel Bixby | } | Drivers |
| | Leverett S. Howe | | |
| | James H. Webster | | |
| | Olin P. Killam | | |
| | John Sias | | |
| | Roscoe K. Cole | | |

| | | |
|---|----------------|-----------------|
| " | Henry Moulton | } Pound Keepers |
| | Alden Spofford | |

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|---|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| " | Humphrey Perley Jr. | } Surveyors of Highways |
| | George W. Curtis | |
| | Warren M. Cole | |

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Chose

Stephen A. Bixby
 Horace Berry
 Oliver P. Killam
 B. F. Barnes
 Geo A. Harriman
 Daniel A. Howe
 Israel F. Spofford
 Charles Perley
 John K. Cole
 Francis Marden
 George W. Herty
 Henry Perley
 Samuel Sias
 John M. Pearl
 Geo W. Twitchell
 F. A. Howe

Surveyors

of

Highways

Chose

Stephen A. Bixby
 John Parkhurst
 B. F. Barnes
 Israel F. Spofford
 Solomon W. Howe
 Israel Herrick
 Daniel F. Harriman
 Francis Marden
 Albert P. Hovey
 Geo W. Twitchell
 Elbridge Perley
 Wm J. Badger
 Stephen A. Bixby
 John Peabody
 Samuel P. Peabody
 Geo W. Twitchell
 John Pearl
 Israel F. Spofford
 Daniel F. Harriman
 Daniel L. Reynolds
 Warren M. Cole

Surveyors

of

Lumber

Measurers

of

Wood & Bark

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Chose John K Cole }
 J. Warren Chadwick } Fence Viewers
 Oliver P. Killam }

Voted Not to choose Tythingmen

" To leave the whole matter of appointing Police officers with the Selectmen.

Chose Sidney Perley }
 Warren M. Cole } Auditors

" John Peabody Sealer of Weights and Measures

" F. A. Howe School Committee for 3. years

Voted That the School Committee choose a Superintendent of Schools

" To accept the Report of the Selectmen on Guide Boards

" To accept the Report of the Committee on School funds.

" That the Selectmen bring in all their bills for services to the town for allowance and that all other bills be presented to the Selectmen for allowance

" To raise fourteen hundred dollars (\$1400.) for the support of Schools the ensuing year, and that two hundred dollars (\$200.) of the same be appropriated for teaching music in the Schools.

" To raise two thousand three hundred dollars (\$2300.) to defray the current expenses of the town the ensuing year.

" To raise one thousand dollars (\$1000.) for repairs of Highways and two hundred dollars (\$200.) in addition thereto to be used in emergencies at the discretion of the Selectmen.

" That the Selectmen apportion the money to the several Surveyors and cause the same to be expended in repairs

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of Highways before the first day of October next, and that all money unexpended at that date be returned to the Selectmen.

Voted That the manner of breaking out the roads when encumbered with snow, be left to the discretion of the Surveyors - and that they shall allow for a pair of Horses thirty cents per hour, and for a man and a pair of oxen each twenty cents per hour.

" That the taxes be committed to the collector on or before the tenth day of September next, and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid before the first day of October, and two per cent on all paid before the first day of November and that all taxes be collected before the first day of January 1884.

" That the Schools be supplied with fuel from the Town farm

" That the protecting and maintaining of our useful fishes be left to the Selectmen

" To pass over the 16th article of the Warrant relating to woman's suffrage

" To allow the following bills of charge
Geo. W. Chadwick for service as Selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year \$90.00

| | | |
|---------|------------------------------|----------------|
| Bills | To cash paid for car fare &c | 2.50 |
| Allowed | " " " Stationery | 1.84 |
| | " " " Postage | 1.60 |
| | " " " Justice fees | 3.75 |
| | | <u>\$99.69</u> |

John Parkhurst for Service as Selectman Assessor and overseer of the Poor the past year } \$76.00

Israel F. Spofford service as Selectman \$11.50

Albert H. Towne Extra service as Constable \$26.50

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James H. Webster Service as School Committee
 From March 1881 to March 1882 \$ 22.50
 Travelling Expenses 8.50
 Bills Postage paid \$ 71
 31.71

Allowed From March 1882 to March 1883 \$ 18.00
 Travelling Expenses 6.50
 Cash paid for Postage .65 \$ 25.15

Perley Bros To maintaining a watering place
 from Jan 1st 1881 to Jan 1st 1883 \$ 6.00

Voted To accept the following list of Jurors presented
 by the Selectmen

| | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| William P. Cleaveland | John Pearl |
| Andrew Frame | John H. Nason |
| Solomon W. Howe | Warren M. Cole |
| Frank L. Parkhurst | George Wright |
| B. Frank Barnes | Charles Perley |
| Henry Perley | Roscoe K. Cole |
| James B. Sanger | Geo W. Chadwick |

" That the Auditors Report be committed to the
 present board of Auditors for revision

" That the matter of furnishing new seats for School
 Houses No 2 & 3, be left with the School Committee, Also
 Voted that the disposal of the old seats be left to the
 School Committee.

" To pass over the 21st article relative to paying
 A. H. Towne for extra services as Constable

" That the Treasurer be authorized to borrow such
 sums of money as may be necessary for the pay-
 ment of the demands upon him, in anticipa-
 tion of the taxes of the ensuing year and pay-
 able therefrom

Voted That the town accept the provisions of Chap 242
 of the Statutes of 1867

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Voted That the School Committee prepare such By-laws as they may deem proper in regard to habitual truants, and submit the same at an adjournment of this meeting.

" That the School Committee be instructed to pay for the tuition of Isaac C. Day's children in Groveland at the rate of one half the cost per scholar in Groveland

On the question "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town"

Voted Yeas 4 Nays 26

Voted To abate the following taxes in Collector Wm R. Kimball's lists

1878

George A. Long \$2.00
Horatio P. Russell \$2.00
Thomas Richardson \$2.00

1879

George A. Hussey \$1.75
Charles Prince \$1.75
Theodore Russell \$1.75
Leander Russell \$2.08
Wm E. Stetson \$1.75
J. W. Bean \$1.75
A. A. Batchelder \$1.75
Isaac Frye \$1.75
James C. Frye \$1.75
Edward H. French \$1.75
Elisha Hoyt \$2.00

1880

Thomas C. Clement \$2.00
Isaac Frye \$2.00
Edward H. French \$2.00
J. V. Frost \$2.00
John L. Frost \$2.00
Joseph R. Hooper \$2.00
Lewis D. Heli \$2.00

List 1880 continued

Kendall Jenkins \$2.00
La Forest Kennett \$2.00
C. C. Mortimer \$2.00
Isaac H. Sawyer \$2.00
Wm E. Stetson \$2.00
George Wright \$2.00
William Wright \$2.00

1881

John C. Ames \$2.00
William Craigian \$2.00
Bromwell Bronte \$2.00
Thomas C. Clement \$2.00
Norman S. Cole \$2.00
Wellington Davis \$2.00
Isaac Frye \$2.00
Charles Pitman \$2.00
Leander Russell \$2.19
John R. Webster Jr. \$2.00
Francis H. Williams \$2.00
Lufkin Winter \$2.00

over

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Voted

That the Surveyors of Highways be directed to path the snow in the several Cemeteries when necessary and requested by the Sextons.

"

To adjourn this meeting two week from today at two o'clock P.M.

March 19th 1883

Voted

The inhabitants met according to adjournment and To take up the 2nd article of the warrant

"

To excuse Israel F Spofford from serving as surveyor of Lumber and Measurer of Wood & Bark

"

To take up the 11th article of the warrant.

Voted

That Highway Surveyors and those under their charge be allowed as follows. For a man fifteen cents per hour, for a yoke of Oxen twenty cents per hour, for a Horse and Cart twenty cents per hour, for two Horses and a Cart thirty cents per hour and for a Plow, Ox-shovel & Ox-Cart each five cents per hour, while used on the Highways.

"

To take up the 9th article of the warrant.

"

To raise two hundred dollars (\$200.), in addition to the twenty three hundred dollars (\$2300.) voted March 5th to defray town charges,

"

To resume the 11th article

"

To reconsider that part of a vote passed March 5th whereby Highway surveyors were directed to cause their proportion of money to be expended before the first day of October.

"

That three fourths of the money be expended before the first day of July and the remainder before the first day of September next.

"

To take up the 24th article of the Warrant

"

To accept and adopt the following code of By laws presented by the School Committee in regard to truants

March 18

By-laws

A.D. 1883

The town of Boxford hereby avails itself of the several provisions of the statutes of this Commonwealth now in force relating to habitual truants, and absentees from school, and in pursuance of authority conferred there by adopts the following By-laws.

Encluse

1883

By laws in regard to truant

Art. 1st Habitual truants and children between seven and fifteen years of age, who may be found wandering about the streets or public places in this town, having no lawful occupation or business, not attending school and growing up in ignorance, shall, upon conviction of said offences before a court or justice having jurisdiction of the same, be committed to the Lawrence Industrial School, or to any other suitable place provided by the town and approved by the court or judge having authority to approve by-laws concerning such children, for confinement, instruction and discipline for such time not exceeding one year, as such court or justice having jurisdiction may determine. These by-laws shall be in force upon and after their approval by the proper court or judge.

Art. 2nd Two truant officers shall be appointed annually by the School Committee, whose duty it shall be to enquire into all violations of the truant laws and of all the laws relating to compulsory education, and to do all the acts required of them by the laws of the Commonwealth.

Art. 3rd It shall be the duty of each truant officer, prior to making any complaint under these laws, to notify the truant or absentee from school, also his parent or guardian of the offence committed and of the penalty therefor, and if the truant officer can obtain satisfactory pledges for the restraint and reformation of the child, he may forbear to prosecute so long as such pledges are faithfully kept.

Art. 4th It shall be the duty of the School Committee, the teachers of the public schools, and the citizens generally to aid the truant officers as far as possible in the discharge of their duty.

Art. 5th It shall be the duty of the truant officers to keep a full record of all their official acts and make an annual report thereof to the School Committee who shall publish the same with their own report.

over

1883

Art. 6th Nothing in these By-laws shall be ^{so} construed as to alter or impair the obligation and duty of teachers to enforce punctuallity and regularity of attendance and to preserve good order and discipline.

Art. 7th Pupils between eight and fifteen years of age shall not be dismissed before the close of the daily session except in case of illness, without a written request from a parent or guardian and such request shall be kept by the teacher till the close of the term unless sooner called for by the School Committee.

Art. 8th Any person who shall cut deface or otherwise injure the school building, or its furniture or injure any fences trees or out-buildings, or shall write any profane or obscene language or make any obscene pictures or characters on the premises belonging to the public schools in Boxford, shall be prosecuted to the full extent of the law - and if done by a pupil, the teacher shall be required to ascertain if possible, by whom the injury was done and report the same to the School Committee.

Art. 9th The carrying or handling of firearms or gunpowder percussion caps, fireworks or ~~or~~ toy pistols by any person or pupil of the school, shall not be allowed in or about the school buildings, or on the grounds pertaining thereto, if done by a pupil, the teacher shall be required to report the same as in the preceding article.

Respectfully submitted to the people of Boxford

James H. Webster } School
Dr. F. J. Sterens }
F. A. Howe } Committee

Voted That the School Committee present these By-laws to the Judge of Probate for approval

" That a sufficient number of copies of these By-laws be printed to supply each family in town with a copy.

" To abate the poll tax set to Edward H. French in Collector Kimball's list of 1881

" To dissolve the meeting Attest, Ancill Dorman
Town Clerk

1883

Nov 6,
State
election

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of
Boxford qualified as by the Constitution required to
vote in elections, held in the Vestry in the second
Parish in said town on Tuesday the sixth day of
November in the year one thousand eight hundred
and eighty three for the purpose of giving in their
votes for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Council-
lor for fifth Essex District, Secretary of the Common-
wealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor
of the Commonwealth, Attorney General, Senator
fifth Essex District, Representative in General
Court fifteenth Essex District-District Attorney
Eastern District, Commissioners of Insol-
vency, Register of Probate and Insolvency,
Sheriff for County of Essex, one County Com-
missioner and two Special Commissioners
for Essex County All on one ballot

The polls were opened at fifteen minutes
past ten o'clock and closed at fifteen minutes
past two, agreeably to vote of the town

The ballots were all sorted, counted and record-
ed and public declaration made thereof in
open meeting as the law directs and were for
the following persons viz:

For Governor of the Commonwealth

| | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|-------|
| George D. Robinson of Chicopee, | one hundred and twenty | three |
| Benjamin F. Butler of Lowell | Fifty six | |

For Lieutenant Governor

| | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Oliver Ames of Easton | one hundred and twenty three |
| James S. Grinnell of Greenfield | Fifty eight |

1893

Nov 6
State
ElectionFor Secretary of the CommonwealthHenry B. Pierce of Abington one hundred & twenty five
Charles Marsh of Springfield Fifty sixFor Treasurer and Receiver GeneralDaniel A. Gleason of Medford one hundred & twenty six
Charles H. Ingalls of North Adams Fifty sixFor AuditorCharles R. Ladd of Springfield one hundred & twenty five
John Hopkins of Millbury Fifty sixFor Attorney GeneralEdgar Sherman of Lawrence one hundred & twenty four
John W. Cummings of Fall River Fifty sixFor Councillor Fifth DistrictEdward H. Haskell of Gloucester one hundred & twenty five
Robert Tarr of Gloucester Fifty sixFor SheriffHoratio G. Herrick of Lawrence one hundred & twenty three
Luther Day of Haverhill Fifty threeFor County CommissionerZachariah Graves of Lyhn one hundred & twenty five
George J. L. Colby of Newburyport Fifty six

For Special Commissioners

Aaron Sawyer of Amesbury one hundred & twenty five
 Orlando B. Tenney of Georgetown one hundred & twenty four
 Daniel B. Lord of Salem Fifty six
 Thomas Kerille of Salisbury Fifty six

For Register of Probate and Insolvency

Jeremiah T. Mahoney of Salem, one hundred and
 eighty one

For Commissioners of Insolvency

William L. Thompson of Lawrence, one hundred & twenty five
 Nathaniel J. Holden of Salem, one hundred & twenty five
 Warren Tilton of Haverhill one hundred & twenty five
 John J. Flaherty of Gloucester Fifty six
 Frank C. Richardson of Essex Fifty six
 William F. Moyer of Lawrence Fifty six

For District Attorney

Henry P. Moulton of Salem one hundred & seventeen
 Henry F. Hurlburt of Lynn Sixty four

Senator Fifth Essex District

Charles B. Emerson of Bradford, one hundred and ^{twenty one}
 Edwin Bowley of Haverhill Sixty

For Representative in General Court 15th Essex District

Frederick Wilcomb of Ipswich one hundred & twenty two
 Edward Dole of Ipswich Fifty nine

Meeting dissolved, Attest Ancill Dorman
 Town Clerk

1883

Nov 7.

At a meeting of the town clerks of the towns of Ipswich Rowley and Bofford held at the office of the Town Clerk of Ipswich on Wednesday the 7th day of November 1883 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the vote cast the 6th instant for a Representative to the next General Court in the Fifteenth Essex District the result in each town as presented by the clerks thereof was as follows:

In Ipswich

| | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|
| Frederick Willcomb of Ipswich | 387 | |
| Edward Dole of Ipswich | 367 | 367 |
| Phillip Clark | 1 | |
| Jona Sargent | 1 | |
| George W. Ellis | 1 | |

In Rowley

| | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|
| Frederick Willcomb of Ipswich | 136 | |
| Edward Dole of Ipswich | 135 | 135 |

In Bofford

| | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|
| Frederick Willcomb of Ipswich | 122 | |
| Edward Dole of Ipswich | 59 | 59 |
| | 645 | 561 |

Showing that Frederick Willcomb was chosen representative by a plurality of eighty four votes and certificates of his election were made out accordingly

Attest

Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

1884

Chose Asa P. Howe } Surveyors { Andrew Frame
 Israel Herrick } Rufus W. Emerson
 Stephen A. Bixby } of { C. R. Anderson
 John Parkhurst } Lumber { John Pearl
 S. W. Howe } Frank Day

Chose Stephen A. Bixby } Measurers { Wm K. Cole
 Charles Gardner } Rufus W. Emerson
 S. W. Howe } of { John M. Pearl
 B. F. Barnes } James H. Norton
 Marshal P. Whittier } Wood & Bark { Israel F. Spufford

Chose Israel Herrick } Fence Viewers
 John K. Cole }
 J. Warren Chadwick }

Voted Not to choose anything more

Chose Sidney Perley } Auditors
 Warren M. Cole }

Voted To direct the Auditors to print the town warrant in their next Report,

Chose John Peabody Scaler of Weights & Measures

Chose Wm K. Cole School Committee for three years

Voted That the School Committee be instructed to appoint a Superintendent of Schools

Voted That the School Committee be requested not to pay more than one hundred dollars for Superintendents salary

Voted To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards.

Voted To accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds

1884

Voted That the Selectmen bring in all their bills for services to the town for allowance and that all other bills be presented to the Selectmen for allowance.

Voted To raise twelve hundred dollars \$1200., for support for Schools the ensuing year.

Voted To raise two thousand dollars (\$2000.) to defray the current expenses of the town the ensuing year

Voted To raise one thousand dollars \$1000., for repairs and amendments of Highways the ensuing year.

Voted That the Selectmen apportion the money to the several surveyors and that said surveyors be directed to expend three fourths of the money assigned them before the first day of July next, and the remainder before the first day of September, and that they ^{allow} for a man fifteen cents per hour - for a yoke of oxen twenty cents per hour for a horse and cart twenty cents per hour for two horses and a cart thirty cents per hour - and for a Plow, Ox shovel and Ox cart each five cents per hour while used on the Highways.

Voted That Highway Surveyors be directed not to expend more than the amount assigned them without authority from the Selectmen.

Voted That the manner of breaking out the roads when encumbered with snow be left to the discretion of the surveyors and that they shall allow for a man and a pair of oxen each twenty cents per hour - and for a pair of Horses thirty cents per hour -

Voted That the taxes be committed to the collector on or before the first day of August next - and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of September - and two percent on all paid before the first day of October, and that all taxes shall be collected before the first day of January 1885.

Voted That the Schools be supplied with fuel from the Town farm to be paid for from the Town Treasury.

1884

Voted

To choose a Committee of three to have supervision of three Ponds leased and stocked by the town, and that they be opened for fishing to the inhabitants of the town as soon as conveniently and legally may be done.

Voted

That the Selectmen be this committee

Voted

To allow the following bills of charge

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| Geo. W. Chadwick for service as Chairman of the Selectmen, Assessors & Overseers of the Poor the past year | \$94.00 |
| To Cash paid for carfare | 3.15 |
| Justice fees | 225 |
| | 5.40 |
| " " " Printing | 2.00 |
| " " " Stationery | 1.25 |
| " " " Postage | 1.07 |
| | 4.32 |
| | <u>\$103.72</u> |

| | |
|--|---------|
| John Parkhurst for service as one of the Selectmen Assessors & Overseers of the Poor the past year | \$80.00 |
|--|---------|

| | |
|--|---------|
| Charles Perley 2 nd for service as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year | \$20.00 |
|--|---------|

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|---|--------|
| Solomon W. Howe to 3 pairs of Horses pathing snow | \$3.15 |
| 3 1/2 hours @ 90 cents per hour | |

| | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Labr of 3 men 3 1/2 hours @ 20 | 2.10 |
| approved by F. A. Howe surveyor | <u>\$5.25</u> |

Voted

To accept the following list of Jurors presented by the Selectmen-

| | |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| William P. Cleaveland | Roscoe K. Cole |
| Henry Perley | John S. Sias |
| Israel Herrick | George Wright |
| Andrew Frame | Charles Perley |
| Rufus W. Emerson | James H. Webster |
| Frank L. Parkhurst | Geo W. Chadwick |
| Stephen A. Birby | Edward C. Pearl |

Voted

To accept the Revised Report of the Auditors 1883 (Printed)

"

To accept the Report of the Auditors 1884 (Printed)

Voted

That the Treasurer be authorized to hire such amount of money as may be necessary for the payment of the demands upon him in anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year, and payable therefrom

1884

- Voted To rescind the vote passed March 19, 1883 requiring the school committee to present certain By-laws to the Judge of Probate for approval
- " That the By laws in regard to truants be adopted when approved by proper authority.
- On the question "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"
Voted Yeas 1 - Nays 34.
- Voted To pass over the 22nd article in regard to instructing the School Committee concerning repairs on School-houses -
- Voted To leave it with the School Committee to make such repairs as may be necessary on the fences around the School-houses -
- Voted That the School Committee be directed to purchase one, and if they think it necessary, two of Jewett & Co's Globes for the use of the Schools
- Voted That the matter of allowing a well to be dug on the public way near School-house No. 4. be referred to the Selectmen.
- Voted That the Selectmen be instructed to get the Almshouse buildings insured for 5 years
- Voted To pass over the 27th article relative to planting shade trees on the highways
- Voted To dissolve the meeting

A true record of proceedings
Attest

Ancill Dorman
Town Clerk.

1884

Aug 7

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Bedford qualified to vote in town affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Thursday the seventh day of August A.D. 1884.

Geo W. Chadwick was chosen Moderator

Voted

That the money that may be refunded the present municipal year on account of Dog Licenses be appropriated for the support of the Public Schools.

Chose

Ancill Dorman Pound Keeper in the First Parish for the remainder of the present municipal year in place of F. A. Howe who refused to serve.

Voted

That the three ponds leased by the town viz: Bald Pate Four Mile and Stiles ponds be opened for fishing as soon as may be to inhabitants and actual residents of the town on Saturday of each week.

Voted

To direct the Selectmen to post notices forthwith forbidding all fishing in said ponds contrary to law and to prosecute all offenders,

Voted

To dissolve the Meeting

Attest

Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of
 Boxford qualified to vote in elections held in the Vestry
 in the First Parish in said town on Tuesday the
 fourth day of November A.D. 1884 for the purpose of
 giving in their votes for the number of Electors of
 President and Vice President of the United States to
 which this Commonwealth is entitled, also for a
 Representative in Congress for District No. 7.
 Also for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary,
 Treasurer, Auditor, and Attorney General of the
 Commonwealth; for a Councillor for the Fifth
 District; for a Senator for the Fifth Essex District;
 for a Representative in General Court for the
 Fifteenth Essex District; and for one County
 Commissioner for the County of Essex.

All on one ballot.

The polls will be opened at fifteen minutes past
 nine o'clock A.M. and may be closed at fifteen
 minutes past one o'clock P.M.

Before opening the polls the ballot box was
 publicly opened and shown to be empty and
 immediately locked up.

The polls were closed at twenty minutes
 past two.

Register indicated 162

Check list " 162

Whole No ballots 162

The ballots were all sorted counted and recorded
 and public declaration made thereof in open
 meeting as the law directs and were for the follow-
 ing persons Viz: For Electors of President and Vice Pres-
ident of the United States

| | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Mark Hopkins of Williamstown | one hundred and three |
| Thomas Talbot of Billerica | one hundred and three |
| Jonas H. French of Gloucester | Forty eight |
| Reuben Noble of Westfield | Forty eight |
| Robert C. Pitman of Newton | Three |
| Alonzo A. Miner of Boston | Three |
| John A. Baker of Beverly | Seven |
| Allison C. Drinkwater of Braintree | Seven |

2 Large

Electors, District No 1

Azariah Eldridge of Yarmouth one hundred and two
 George Delano of New Bedford ~~Three~~ Forty seven
 Charles Army of New Bedford Three
 Thomas B Chase of Harwich Eight

District No 2

Sylvanus N Staples of Taunton one hundred and three
 Bushrod Morse of Sharon Forty seven
 Thomas J. Lothrop of Taunton Three
 William L. Douglas of Brocton Eight

District No 3

Arthur W. Tufts of Boston one hundred and three
 Francis A Peters of Boston Forty seven
 Eugene A Clapp of Boston Three
 James Sumner of Milton Eight

District No 4.

Ebenezer M McPherson of Boston one hundred and three
 Hugh A. Madden of Boston Forty seven
 Israel S. Trafton of Boston Three
 Dennis O'Reilly of Boston Eight

District No 5.

Samuel A Montague of Cambridge one hundred and ^{three}
 Christopher E. Rymes of Somerville Forty seven
 James H. Roberts of Cambridge Three
 Gilman F Jones of Woburn Eight

| District | Electors |
|----------|--|
| No 6 | <p>Ezra A Stevens of Malden one hundred and three</p> <p>Knowles Freeman of Chelsea Forty seven</p> <p>George H. Harwood of Lynn Three</p> <p>Henry Hastings Jr. of Medford Eight</p> |
| No 7 | <p>Daniel B Hagar of Salem one hundred and three</p> <p>Charles P. Thompson of Gloucester Forty seven</p> <p>James J. H. Gregory of Marblehead Three</p> <p>Harry H Hale of Bradford Eight</p> |
| No 8 | <p>Charles A Stott of Lowell one hundred and three</p> <p>John E Sanborn of Lawrence Forty seven</p> <p>James K Fellows of Lowell Three</p> <p>James H Carmichael of Lowell Eight</p> |
| No 9 | <p>Lucius G Pratt of Newton one hundred and three</p> <p>James E Cotter of Hyde Park Forty seven</p> <p>Claudius P. Travis of Natick Three</p> <p>Patrick J. Conway of Marlboro Eight</p> |
| No 10 | <p>Philip L Moen of Worcester one hundred and three</p> <p>Waldo Lincoln of Worcester Forty seven</p> <p>Charles Heritage of Warren Three</p> <p>John Flint of Webster Eight</p> |

District Eli A. Hubbard of Hatfield one hundred and three
 No 11 Justus C. Currier of Fitchburg Forty seven
 Benjamin Snow of Fitchburg Three
 William O Crocker of Montague Eight

No 12 William S Shurtleff of Springfield one hundred and three
 Elisha B. Maynard of Springfield Forty seven
 John Blackmer of Springfield Three
 William M. E. Mellen of Springfield Eight

For Representative to Congress 7th Mass District
 Eben F. Stone of Newburyport one hundred and four
 Richard S. Spofford of Salisbury Forty eight
 John I Baker of Beverly Ten

For Governor of the Commonwealth
 George D. Robinson of Chicopee one hundred and three
 William C Endicott of Salem Forty six
 Julius H. Seelze of Amherst Five
 Matthew J. McCafferty of Worcester Seven

For Lieutenant Governor
 Oliver Ames of Easton one hundred and four
 James S Grinnell of Greenfield Forty six
 Henry H. Faxon of Quincy Four
 Albert R Rice of Springfield Seven

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

Henry B. Pierce of Abington one hundred and seven
 Jeremiah Crowley of Lowell Forty six
 George Kempton of Sharon Three
 John P. Sweeney of Lawrence Five

Treasurer and Receiver General

Daniel A. Gleason of Medford one hundred and five
 Charles Marsh of Springfield Forty six
 Charles B. Knight of Worcester Three
 Nathaniel S. Cushing of Middleboro Seven

For Auditor

Charles R. Ladd of Springfield one hundred and ^{five}
 John Hopkins of Millbury Forty six
 William W. Sherman of Lowell Three
 Israel W. Andrews of Danvers Seven

For Attorney General

Edgar J. Sherman of Lawrence one hundred and ^{seven}
 John W. Cummings of Fall River Forty six
 Samuel M. Fairfield of Malden Three
 Thomas W. Clarke of Boston Five

Councillor 5th District

Edward H. Haskell of Gloucester one hundred and ^{eleven}
 Robert Farr of Gloucester Forty five
 Edward H. Lomasney of Lynn Five

I hereby certify that I have this day destroyed the ballots cast at the last
November Election
Boxford Dec. 11, 1884

Ancill Dorman
Town Clerk

Senator 5th Essex District

Charles B. Emerson of Bradford one hundred ^{and one}
Calvin Damon of Haverhill Fifty four

Representative to General Court 15th Essex District

William A Stackpole of Ipswich one hundred
Edward P. Kimball of Ipswich Thirty nine
William P. Alcott of Boxford Twenty two

County Commissioner

John W Raymond of Beverly one hundred and sixteen
John J. Sheehan of Salem Forty five

Meeting Dissolved

Attest

Ancill Dorman

Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Clerks of the towns of Ipswich
Rowley and Boxford held at the office of the Town
Clerk of Ipswich Nov 5, 1884. for the purpose of ascer-
taining the result of the vote for Representative to
General Court in the Fifteenth Essex District:
the vote of each town as presented by the Clerks
thereof was as follows

| | | |
|------------|---------------------------------|-----|
| In Ipswich | William A. Stackpole of Ipswich | 488 |
| | Edward P. Kimball of Ipswich | 202 |
| | William P. Alcott of Boxford | 11 |
| In Rowley | W. A. Stackpole | 160 |
| | E. P. Kimball | 95 |
| | Wm P. Alcott | 5 |
| In Boxford | W. A. Stackpole | 100 |
| | E. P. Kimball | 39 |
| | Wm P. Alcott | 22 |

Showing that William A. Stackpole was elected Repre-
sentative by a majority of one hundred and eighty
six votes and certificates of his election were filled out
and signed Attest Ancill Dorman Town Clerk

1885

Annual
March
Meeting

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Bofford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said town on Monday the second day of March A.D. 1885, then and there the said inhabitants

Chose J. Horace Vason Moderator

" Ancill Dorman Town Clerk

The clerk was sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of the office in open meeting by Sidney Perley } Justice of the Peace

| | |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Chose George W Chadwick | } Selectmen |
| Charles Perley 2 nd | |
| John Parkhurst | |
| Chose Elbridge Perley | } Assessors and Overseers of the Poor |
| Charles R Anderson | |
| | } Constables |
| | |

Chose Warren M Cole Treasurer

Voted To appoint the Treasurer Collector of taxes

Voted To choose four Field Drivers in each Parish

| | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Chose Daniel Bixby | } Field Drivers | William K. Cole |
| Joseph H. Jones | | Edward E. Pearl |
| Moody Perley | | Oliver P. Killam |
| Jeremiah Rea | | Walter J. Chadwick |

| | |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Chose Henry Moulton | } Pound Keepers |
| William R. Kimball | |

| | | |
|----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Chose Chester Killam | } Surveyors of Highways | Israel F. Spofford |
| George P. Frame | | Charles Perley |
| David M. Cole | | John K. Cole |
| Stephen Bixby | | F. A. Howe |
| Horace Berry | | Francis Marden |
| William K. Cole | | William R. Kimball |
| B. F. Barnes | | Samuel Sias |
| Henry Perley | | J. Warren Chadwick |
| James H. Vason | | George W. Twitchell |
| Peter Strout | | |

1885

Voted To choose ten Surveyors of Lumber

| | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| <u>Chose</u> Stephen A. Bisby | Surveyors of Lumber | J. Horace Nason |
| Andrew Frame | | John Pearl |
| Rufus W. Emerson | | Israel F. Sprofford |
| Israel Herrick | | Daniel L. Reynolds |
| John Parkhurst | | Albert P. Hovey |

Voted To choose ten Measurers of Wood and Bark

| | |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| <u>Chose</u> Stephen A. Bisby | John M. Pearl |
| Israel Herrick | Warren M. Cole |
| John Peabody | William K. Cole |
| John Parkhurst | Charles Perley |
| Rufus W. Emerson | George A. Harriman |

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------------|
| <u>Chose</u> John K. Cole | } Fence Viewers |
| Charles Perley | |
| William K. Kimball | |

| | |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| <u>Chose</u> Samuel P. Peabody | } Auditors |
| J. Horace Nason | |

Voted That the Selectmen furnish a copy of the warrant to be printed in the Auditors Report

Chose John Peabody Sealer of Weights and Measures

Chose Francis J. Stevens School Committee for three years

Voted That the School Committee be instructed to choose a Superintendent of Schools at a salary of one hundred dollars

Voted That a Guide post be erected at Mill Gate corner (so called), westerly of Andrews Mills with Boards marked Topsfield Middleton Bofford M.H.

Voted To accept the Report on Guide Boards

1885

Voted To accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds
Voted That the Selectmen bring in their bills for service to the town for allowance the ensuing year and that all other bills be presented to the Selectmen for allowance.

Voted To take up the 24th article of the warrant
Voted That the money refunded on account of Dog licenses be divided equally between the two Public Libraries.

Voted To raise fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500.) for the support of Schools and that two hundred dollars (\$200.) thereof be expended for teaching music in the schools

Voted To raise two thousand eight hundred dollars (\$2800.) to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town.

Voted To take up the 27th article of the warrant
 It was not a vote to purchase a Road Machine
Voted to raise one thousand and fifty dollars (\$1050.) for repairs of Highways and two hundred dollars in addition to be used at the discretion of the Selectmen.

Voted That the Selectmen apportion the money to the several surveyors and that said surveyors be directed to expend three fourths of the money assigned them on or before the first day of July next, and the remainder before the first day of September, and that they allow for a man fifteen cents per hour, for a yoke of oxen twenty cents per hour, for a Horse and Cart twenty cents per hour, for two Horses and a Cart thirty cents per hour and for a Plow, or shovel and ox-cart each five cents per hour while used on the Highways.

Voted That the manner of breaking out the roads when encumbered with snow be left to the discretion of the surveyors, and that they shall allow for a man

(over)

1885

Voted to take measures to secure the proper observance of the 200th anniversary year of the incorporation of the town

and for a yoke of Oxen each twenty cents per hour,
and for a pair of Horses thirty cents per hour.

Voted That the taxes be committed to the collector on or before the first day of August next, and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of September - and two per cent on all paid before the first day of October, and that all taxes shall be collected before the first day of January 1886.

Voted That fuel for the Town schools be furnished from the Town farm and paid for from the Town Treasury

Voted To take up the 26th article of the warrant
See Margin for first action taken under this article.

Voted To choose a Committee of three to take into consideration the matter of celebrating the two hundredth anniversary year of the incorporation of the town and report at an adjournment of this meeting.

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|-------|------------------|-------------------------------|
| Chose | Sidney Berley | } Committee on Celebration |
| | Rev Wm S. Coggin | |
| | Gardner S. Morse | |

Voted That this Committee have power to add others to their number by appointment.

On the question "shall licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in this town it was

Voted Yes one (1) No, thirty seven (37)

Voted That the matter of regulating fishing in our leased ponds be left to the Selectmen

Voted To allow the following bills of charge
Ancill Dorman for services as Chairman of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

the past year \$ 92.40

To Travel 21.26

Paid for Oath .25

Stationery Postage and Express \$ 1.27

\$ 115.18

1885

J. Warren Chadwick for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year \$50.00

James H. Vason for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year \$40.00

Charles R. Andersson for notifying Town meeting \$3.00

James P. Cleaveland for damage to plow while in use on the Highway in 1883. \$5.00

Voted To accept the following list of names of persons presented by the Selectmen as suitable for jurors

| | |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| William P. Cleaveland | William K. Cole |
| Henry Perley | John S. Sias |
| Israel Herrick | Israel F. Spofford |
| Andrew Frame | Charles Perley |
| Rufus W. Emerson | Marshal P. Whittier |
| Frank L. Parkhurst | David M. Cole |
| Stephen A. Bixby | George A. Harriman |

Voted To accept the Report of the Auditors

Voted That the Treasurer be authorized to hire such amount of money as may be necessary for the payment of the demands upon him in anticipation of the taxes of the current year and payable therefrom.

Voted To pass over the 20th article of the warrant in regard to truants,

Voted To leave the matter of removing a portion of the ledge in the Highway near the house of Samuel Twisden to the discretion of the Selectmen with instructions to let out the job to the lowest bidder.

Voted To pass over the 23rd article of the warrant in regard to cutting and removing all trees and bushes from the Highways except shade and ornamental

1885

Voted To authorize the Overseers of the Poor to contract to permanently support any person having no legal settlement, if they think it best for the interest of the town so to do.

Voted To adjourn this meeting to the first Monday in April next at 2 o'clock P.M.

Attest

Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

April 6, 1885. The inhabitants of the town met according to adjournment and the 26th article of the warrant being under consideration, Sidney Perley Esq in behalf of the committee on celebrating the 200th anniversary of the town made a verbal report suggesting two modes of celebrating one requiring an appropriation of about \$300, and the other \$150.-

After hearing this report it was Voted to pass over the 26th article in regard to a celebration.

Voted The thanks of the town to the committee for their services in looking up and reporting the matter. Voted That this committee be discharged from further service.

It was Voted to take up the 8th article of the warrant in regard to raising money for support of schools, but a motion to reconsider a vote passed the 2nd ultimo whereby \$1500. was raised for the support of schools was lost, not receiving a majority of votes.

Voted To take up the 2nd Article of the warrant
 Chose John R. Webster surveyor of Highways in place of
 Horace Berry who declined to serve.
 Chose John H. East Field Driver in place of Moody Perley
 who declined to serve.

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Attest

Ancill Dorman

Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Bofford qualified to vote in elections held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town on Tuesday the third day of November A.D. 1885 to give in their votes on the following Article of Amendment of the Constitution viz: The General Court shall have full and authority to provide for the inhabitants of the towns in this Commonwealth more than one place of public meeting within the limits of each town for the election of officers, under the constitution, and to prescribe the manner of calling, holding and conducting such meetings. All the provisions of the existing constitution inconsistent with the provisio herein contained are hereby cancelled Yes or No

Also for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Councillor, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor of the Commonwealth, Attorney General, Senator 5th Essex District, Clerk of the Courts, Treasurer for Essex County, Register of Deeds for the southern District of Essex County, Commissioner, Representative in General Court 15th Essex District. All on one ballot.

The polls will be open at ten o'clock A.M. and may be closed at two o'clock P.M.

Before opening the polls the Ballot Box was publicly opened and shown to be empty and then closed and locked and the key given to Constable Elbridge Perley. The Register set 000

The polls were closed at twelve minutes past two

Register indicated eighty one (81)

Check list eighty one (81)

No ballots eighty one (81)

The ballots were all sorted counted and recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs and were as follows:

Amendment of the Constitution Yes one No none

For Governor of the Commonwealth

George D. Robinson of Chicopee⁶³ had sixty three votes
 Frederick Q. Prince of Boston¹⁶ had sixteen
 Charles Theodore Russell of Cambridge, one
 Thomas J. Lathrop of Taunton — one

For Lieutenant Governor

Oliver Ames of Easton⁶³ sixty three
 Henry H. Gilmore of Cambridge¹⁶ sixteen
 Charles B. Knight Worcester¹ one
 Charles R. Codman of Boston 1 one

For Councillor 5th District

Frank D. Allen of Lynn⁶² sixty two
 Alfred A. Mower of Lynn¹⁸ Eighteen

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

Henry B. Pierce of Abington⁶⁴ Sixty four
 Jeremiah Crowley of Lowell¹⁶ Sixteen
 George Kempton of Sharon 1 one

For Treasurer and Receiver General

Alanson W. Beard of Boston⁶² Sixty two
 Henry M. Cross of Newburyport¹⁸ Eighteen

For Auditor

Charles R. Ladd of Springfield⁶⁴ Sixty four
 James E. Delaney of Holyoke¹⁶ Sixteen
 William W. Sherman of Lowell 1 one

For Attorney General

Edgar J. Sherman of Lawrence⁶⁴ Sixty four
 Henry H. Braley of Fall River¹⁶ Sixteen
 Samuel M. Fairfield of Malden 1 one

For Clerk of Courts

Dean Peabody of Lynn⁶⁴ Sixty four
 David B. Kimball of Salem¹⁶ Sixteen

For County Treasurer

E. Kendall Jenkins of Andover ⁶⁴ Sixty four
Benjamin A. Ward of Lynn 16 Sixteen

For Register of Deeds Southern District of Essex
Charles S. Osgood of Salem 80 Eighty

For County Commissioner

Edward B. Bishop of Haverhill ⁶⁴ Sixty four
John H. Cheever of Manchester 16 Sixteen

For Senator Fifth Essex District

Charles B. Emerson of Bradford ⁶² Sixty two
Calvin Damon of Haverhill ¹⁸ Eighteen
William P. Alcott of Boxford 1 one

For Representative Fifteenth Essex District

William A. Stackpole of Ipswich ⁶² Sixty two
Edward Dole of Ipswich ¹⁸ Eighteen
Edward H. Briggs of Ipswich 1 one

Voted to dissolve the meeting

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in town affairs held in the Vestry in the second Parish in Boxford on Tuesday the third day of November A. D. 1885.

B. F. Barnes was chosen Moderator

Voted To choose a Committee of two, and that they be authorized to employ legal counsel and sue if necessary for the collection of a bill against the town of Georgetown for aid furnished Albert Nelson during the last twelve months.

Voted That the Selectmen be authorized to buy land for gravel of Sarah P. & Lucy A. Perley if they think best so to do.

Voted to dissolve the meeting Attest:

Arnell Dorman Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Clerks of the Towns of Ipswich Rowley and Boyford held at the office of the Town Clerk of Ipswich November 4, 1885 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the vote for Representative to General Court in the 15th Essex District the vote of each town as presented by the Clerks thereof were as follows:

In Ipswich

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| William A. Stackpole of Ipswich | 270 |
| Edward Dole " " | 304 |
| Edward H. Briggs " " | 5 |

In Rowley

| | |
|---------------------------------|----|
| William A. Stackpole of Ipswich | 77 |
| Edward Dole " " | 62 |
| Edward H. Briggs " " | 7 |

In Boyford

| | |
|---------------------------------|----|
| William A. Stackpole of Ipswich | 62 |
| Edward Dole " " | 18 |
| Edward H. Briggs " " | 1 |

And it was ascertained that William A. Stackpole was elected by a plurality of twenty five votes and certificates of his election were filled out and signed.

Attest:

Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

Boyford Dec 1885

I hereby certify that I have destroyed the ballots cast at the last November State election

Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk.

Annual Meeting 1886 At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Bofford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Monday the first day of March A.D. 1886 then and there the said inhabitants

Chose James P. Cleaveland Moderator

" Ancill Dorman Town Clerk

The Clerk was sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of the office in open meeting by Sidney Perley
Justice of the Peace

| | | |
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| Chose | John Parkhurst | } Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor. |
| | George W. Chadwick | |
| | William K. Cole | |

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| Chose | Elbridge Perley | } Constables |
| | Charles R. Anderson | |

Chose Warren M. Cole } Treasurer

Voted To appoint the Treasurer Collector of taxes

| | | | |
|-------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Chose | Daniel Bixby | Arthur L. Russell | } Field Drivers |
| | Joseph H. James | Jeremiah Reed | |
| | Edward E. Pearl | Charles Perley | |
| | Oliver P. Killam | John M. Pearl | |
| | | | |

Chose Henry Moulton - Wm R. Kimball } Pound Keepers

| | | | |
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| Chose | James P. Cleaveland | George W. Curtis | } Surveyors of Highways |
| | David M. Cole | Stephen A. Bixby | |
| | John W. Parkhurst | Oliver P. Killam | |
| | B. S. Barnes | William E. Perley | |
| | Peter Strout | H. M. Spofford | |
| | Henry Perley | Hiram L. Cheney | |
| | George W. Chadwick | Israel Herrick | |
| | Frederick A. How | Reginald D. Foster | |
| | Gardner S. Morse | George W. Twitchell | |
| | George B. Austin | | |

1886

Chose Stephen A. Bixby - George P. Frame
 Rufus W. Emerson - Israel Herrick
 John Parkhurst - J. Horace Vason
 John Pearl - Israel F. Spofford
 Daniel L. Reynolds - Albert P. Hovey

} Surveyors
of
Lumber

Chose Stephen A. Bixby - Israel Herrick
 Chester Killam - John Parkhurst
 Rufus W. Emerson - John M. Pearl
 Warren M. Cole - William K. Cole
 J. Horace Vason - George A. Harriman

} Measurers
of
Wood &
Bark

Chose John K. Cole
 B. S. Barnes
 Wm R. Kimball

} Fence Viewers

Chose Samuel P. Peabody
 Gardner S. Morse

} Auditors

Chose Charles Perley 2nd Sealer of Weights and Measures

Chose William P. Cleveland, School Committee for three years

Voted That the School Committee be instructed to choose a Superintendent of Schools at a salary of one hundred dollars.

Voted To take up the 16th article of the warrant.

Voted Not to allow a bill presented by Sarah P. and Lucy A. Perley for damage to their land on the Depot road.

Voted To refer the foregoing bill to the Selectmen for settlement.

Voted That the Selectmen present their bills for service to the town for allowance and that all other bills be presented to the Selectmen for allowance.

1886

Voted To raise fourteen hundred dollars, 1400, for the support of schools, and that two hundred dollars of said sum be appropriated for teaching Music in the Schools.

Voted To raise two thousand five hundred dollars 2500, to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town the ensuing year.

Voted To raise one thousand dollars for the repairs of Highways and Bridges the ensuing year.

Voted That the Selectmen apportion the money to the several surveyors, and that said surveyors be directed to expend three fourths of the money assigned them before the first day of July next and the remainder before the first day of September, and that they allow for a man fifteen cents per hour for a yoke of oxen twenty cents per hour for a horse and cart twenty cents per hour, for two horses and a cart thirty cents per hour, and for a plow, Ox shovel and Ox cart, each five cents per hour while used on the highways.

Voted That the manner of breaking out the roads when encumbered with snow and the amount to be done in the way of covering with snow bare spots in the roads, be left to the discretion of the Surveyors and that they shall allow for a man and for a yoke of oxen each twenty cents per hour and for a pair of horses thirty cents per hour.

Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of September next, and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of October,
(over)

1886

and two percent on all paid before the first day of November, and that all taxes shall be collected before the first day of January 1887.

Voted That the Schools be supplied with wood from the town farm same as last year to be paid for from the town Treasury

Voted To leave to the Selectmen the matter of regulating fishing in our leased Ponds.

Voted To allow the following bills of charge

Geo. W. Chadwick for services as Chairman of the Selectmen Assessors and overseers of the Poor

The past year

\$ 98.00

Perambulation of town lines

8.00

Cash paid for Stationery

1.59

" " " Postage

.79

" " " Express

.25

" " " Car fare

1.79

" " " Justice's fees

\$ 3.00

113.42

John Parkhurst for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

the past year

\$ 83.00

Voted To accept the following list of names of persons presented by the Selectmen as jurors:

Israel Herrick

William K. Cole

Henry Perley

Israel F. Spofford

Stephen A. Bixby

Charles Perley

Joseph B. Fisk

Walter S. Chadwick

Chester Killam

George B. Austin

John W. Parkhurst

David M. Cole

Solomon W. Howe

George A. Harriman

Voted To relieve the Auditors from further duty

Voted To accept the Report of the Auditors

1896

Voted To authorize the Treasurer to hire such amount of money as may be necessary for the payment of demands upon him in anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year and payable therefrom.

On the question "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town

Voted Yes none. No, twenty nine

Voted To accept the report of the Committee chosen to investigate in regard to the settlement of Albert Nelson (said Committee reporting that said Nelson had doubtless gained a settlement in Boxford)

Voted That the Selectmen be directed to take measures to collect the expense of Albert Nelsons support from such of his next of kin as are liable and able to pay

Voted To divide the money refunded on account of Dog licenses equally between the two Public Libraries in the town

(Not a vote to purchase a Road Machine)

Voted To allow E. L. Hooper twenty dollars the ensuing year to expend on the pathway from his house to the highway near the house of Andrew Frame.

Voted To abate a tax of \$12.10 set to Wid Hannah Spofford in tax list of 1885. Also a tax of \$8.20 set to William M. Andrews in said list.

Voted to dissolve the meeting
attest

Ancill Dorman

Town Clerk

1886

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of
Borford qualified to vote in town affairs held in the
Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Monday
the fourth day of October A. D. 1886

James P. Cleaveland was chosen Moderator

Voted That the Selectmen be authorized and directed to
make such repairs as they deem necessary and
proper on the highway leading from the house
of the late Lawrence Corey by the house of James H.
Nason and John Pearl to the School-house near the
house of David M. Cole, at an expense not exceeding
three hundred dollars..

Chose Edward E. Pearl Auditor in place of Gardner S.
Morse who declined to serve.

Voted To dissolve the meeting
Attest

Ancill Dorman

Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of
 Bofford qualified to vote in elections held in the Vestry
 in the First Parish in said town on Tuesday the second
 day of November A. D. 1886. to give in their votes for
 Representative in Congress 7th Congressional District,
 Governor, Lieutenant Governor Councillor 5th District,
 Secretary of the Commonwealth Treasurer and
 Receiver General Auditor of the Commonwealth,
 Attorney General, Senator 5th Essex District,
 Representative in General Court 7th Essex
 District, District Attorney Eastern District-
 Commissioners of Insolvency, Clerk of the Courts
 Sheriff, County Commissioner and two Special
 Commissioners All on one ballot.

Before opening the polls the ballot box was opened
 and shown to be empty and then closed and
 locked and the key given to Constable Elbridge
 Perley.

The Polls were opened at 7 minutes past ten
 The Register set 000

The Polls were closed at 7 minutes past two

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| Register indicated | 116 |
| Check list | 116 |
| No ballots | 116 |

The ballots were all sorted counted and recorded
 and public declaration made thereof in open
 meeting as the law directs and were as follows

For Representative to Congress Seventh Congress-
sional District.

| | | |
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| 80 | William Gogswell of Salem | Eighty votes |
| 23 | Jonas H French of Gloucester | Twenty three |
| 9 | Willard Spaulding of Peabody | Nine |

For Governor of the Commonwealth

- 79 Oliver Ames of Easton Seventy nine
 28 John F. Andrew of Boston Twenty eight
 9 Thomas J. Lothrop of Taunton Nine

For Lieutenant Governor

- 86 John D. A. Brackett of Boston Eighty six
 21 Frank K. Foster of Haverhill Twenty one
 6 John Blackmer of Springfield Six

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

- 87 Henry B. Pierce of Abington Eighty seven
 22 John R. Thayer of Worcester Twenty two
 7 George Kempton of Sharon Seven

For Treasurer and Receiver General

- 85 Alanson W. Beard of Boston Eighty five
 22 Lewis Warner of Northampton Twenty two
 7 John L. Kilbon of Lee Seven

For Auditor

- 87 Charles R. Ladd of Springfield Eighty seven
 22 William F. Cook of Springfield Twenty two
 7 William W. Sherman of Lowell Seven

For Attorney General

- 86 Edgar J. Sherman of Lawrence Eighty six
 22 John W. Corcoran of Clinton Twenty two
 8 Samuel M. Fairfield of Malden Eight-

For Councillor Fifth District

- 87 Frank D. Allen of Lynn Eighty seven
 22 Nathan R. Morse of Salem Twenty two
 7 Ezra Woodbury of Salem Seven

For District Attorney

- 53 William H. Moody of Haverhill Fifty three
 63 Henry F. Hurlburt of Lynn Sixty three

For County Commissioner

- 86 David W. Low of Gloucester Eighty six
 22 George J. L. Colby of Newburyport Twenty two
 7 Daniel W. Friend of Manchester Seven

For Special Commissioners

- 87 Aaron Sawyer of Amesbury Eighty seven
 87 Ivory Emmons of Swamscott Eighty seven
 22 Daniel B. Lord of Salem Twenty two
 22 Mark Jewett of Rowley Twenty two
 7 Zachariah Cole of Wenham Seven
 7 James B. Gifford of Salem Seven

For Sheriff

- 107 Horatio G. Herrick of Lawrence one hundred ^{and seven}
 4 John Breen of Lawrence Four
 4 William B. Morgan of Danvers Four

For Clerk of Courts

- 88 Dean Peabody of Lynn Eighty eight
 22 Leverett S. Tuckerman of Salem Twenty two
 6 Charles W. Mann of Methuen Six

For Commissioners of Insolvency

| | | |
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| 87 | Horace J. Bartlett of Newburyport | Eighty seven |
| 87 | William L. Thompson of Lawrence | Eighty seven |
| 87 | Sherman Nelson of Georgetown | Eighty seven |
| 22 | John S. Flaherty of Gloucester | Twenty two |
| 22 | Charles A. Wear of Peabody | Twenty two |
| 22 | Frank C. Richardson of Essex | Twenty two |
| 7 | George M. Harrington of Lynn | Seven |
| 7 | Edward Walden of Danvers | Seven |
| 7 | Charles F. Bronson of Andover | Seven |

For Senator Fifth Essex District

| | | |
|----|------------------------------|------------|
| 46 | James W. Switzer of Lynn | Forty six |
| 59 | Asa T. Newhall of Lynn | Fifty nine |
| 10 | William P. Alcott of Boxford | Ten |

For Representative to Gen. Court 7th Essex District

| | | |
|----|----------------------------------|------------|
| 86 | Nathaniel E. Ladd of Groveland | Eighty six |
| 22 | Clarence A. Stetson of Groveland | Twenty two |
| 7 | Allen Hardy of Groveland | Seven |

Voted to dissolve the meeting

Attest

Ancill Dorman

Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Clerks of the Towns of Georgetown
Groveland Topsfield and Boyford held at the office
of the Town Clerk of Georgetown November 12th 1886
for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the
vote for Representative to General Court in the
7th Essex District the vote of each town as pre-
sented by the Clerks thereof was as follows

In Georgetown

| | |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| Nathaniel E. Ladd of Groveland | 200 |
| Clarence A. Stetson " " | 172 |
| Allen Hardy " " | 4 |

In Groveland

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|--------------------------------|-----|
| Nathaniel E. Ladd of Groveland | 145 |
| Clarence A. Stetson " " | 220 |
| Allen Hardy " " | 4 |

In Topsfield

| | |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Nathaniel E. Ladd of Groveland | 81 |
| Clarence A. Stetson " " | 37 |
| Allen Hardy " " | 15 |

In Boyford

| | |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Nathaniel E. Ladd of Groveland | 86 |
| Clarence A. Stetson " " | 22 |
| Allen Hardy " " | 7 |

And it was ascertained that Nathaniel E. Ladd
was elected by a plurality of sixty one votes and
certificates of his election were filled out
and signed.

Attest

Ancill Doiman

Town Clerk

Appointment of Town Clerk

Whereas a vacancy exists in the Town Clerk's office in Boyford, caused by the death of the late Ancill Dorman Esq., Therefore we, the subscribers, Selectmen of Boyford, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Statutes, hereby appoint Sidney Perley, Esq., to fill said office during the remainder of the current year.

Shewn under our hands at Boyford this twenty second day of November, A.D. 1886.

Geo. W. Chadwick } Selectmen
John Parkhurst } of
William H. Cole } Boyford.

A true copy.

Attest: Sidney Perley,

Town Clerk pro tem.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Essex SS. November 23, 1886 Then personally appeared Sidney Perley of Boyford and took the oath of office of town clerk.

Before me - William Perry,
Justice of the Peace

A true copy,

Attest: Sidney Perley,

Town Clerk pro tem.

Jan. 19th A.D. 1887. —

This is to certify that I have this day destroyed the ballots cast and check list used at the state election held November 2^d last, in the town of Boyford.

Sidney Perley,

Town Clerk pro tem.

Annual
Meeting
1887.

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in elections & in town affairs held in the Vestry in the second parish in said town on Monday the 7th of March A.D. 1887. then and there the said inhabitants were called together by S. W. Chadwick
Chose W. K. Cole Moderator

" B. S. Barnes Town Clerk

The Clerk was sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of the office in open meeting, by James H. Webster Esq.

Chose S. W. Chadwick } Selectmen
John Parkhurst } assessors and
Stephen A. Bixby } Overseers of the Poor.

Chose Albert H. Town } Constables
Chas R. Anderson }

Chose Warren M. Cole Treasurer & Collector.

Chose Daniel Bixby - John S. Dorman }
John H. Cass - Geo. B. Killam } Field
J. P. Whitney - G. A. Harriman } Drivers
J. S. Sias - C. P. Killam }
G. S. Morse }

Chose Henry Moulton Aldin Spofford Pound Keepers.

Chose W. P. Cleaveland - J. H. Jones }
Geo. Curtis - Saml A. Frye } Surveyors
Israel Herrick - J. Dacy }
Geo. W. Twitchel - W. M. Andrews } of
Marshall P. Whittier John Parkhurst }
S. A. Bixby - J. S. Dorman - } Highways.
Henry Perley - Chas. Perley - and }

1887

Chose Geo. Dorsety - G. B. Austin } Surveyors
 John T. Wood - E. E. Pearl } of
 H. M. Spofford } Highways

Chose John Parkhurst R. W. Emerson } Measurers
 B. S. Barnes - Warren M. Cole } of
 Geo. A. Harriman S. W. Howe } Wood and
 D. S. Gillis - M. Pearl } Bark-
 J. H. Webster - J. T. Wood }

Chose G. P. Frame - R. W. Emerson } Surveyors
 Israel Herrick - John Parkhurst } of
 S. W. Howe - J. H. Nason - J. J. Porter } Lumber
 Albert Hovey - W. K. Cole - J. H. Webster }

Chose B. S. Barnes John Parkhurst } Fences
 J. W. Chadwick } Viewers

Chose Saml P. Peabody } Auditors.
 Wm R. Kimball }

Chose Chas. Perley 2nd Sealer of weights & measures

Chose Israel F. Spofford - School Committee

Voted to dispense with Superintendent of schools

Voted - that the School committees, the Selectmen's & all extra bills shall be brought before the town - All other bills to be settled by the selectmen.

Voted to raise \$1400.00 for Schools - It is left discretionary with the School committee rather they will use one hundred and fifty or two hundred dollars of this money for musical purposes.

Voted to raise twenty five hundred dollars for town charges.

Voted to raise one thousand dollars for highways; two hundred dollars of it to be left in the hands of the Selectmen to be used as they think best.

Voted that the Selectmen apportion the money to the several surveyors and that the said surveyors be directed to expend three fourths of the money assigned them before the first day of July next and the remainder before the first day of September. And that they allow for a man fifteen cents per hour, for a yoke of oxen twenty cents per hour for a horse & cart twenty cents per hour for two horses & cart thirty cents per hour and for a plow, ox shovel & ox cart, each five cents per hour while used on the highways.

Voted - That the manner of breaking out the roads when encumbered with snow and the amount to be done in the way of covering with snow, bare spots in the road be left to the discretion of the surveyors and that they shall allow for a man & for a yoke of oxen each twenty cents per hour and for a pair of horses thirty cents per hour.

Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of September next, and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of October and two per cent on all paid before the first day of November and that all taxes shall be collected before the first day of January 1888.

1887

Voted That the schools be supplied with wood from the town farm - same as former years to be paid for out of the School money.

Voted to leave to the selectmen the matter of regulating fishing on the leased ponds.

Voted To allow E. L. Hooper twenty dollars the ensuing year to expend on the road from his house to the road near the house of Andrew Frame -

Voted To divide the money refunded on account of Dog licenses equally between the two Public libraries in the town -

Voted Not to purchase a road machine -

Voted To allow the following bills of charge.

| | |
|---|----------|
| Geo. W. Chadwick for services as chairman of the selectmen, assessors and overseers of the Poor the past year | 84.00 |
| To preparing duplicate valuation list | 8.00 |
| To cash paid Justice's fees | 3.50 |
| To " " postage | 1.26 |
| To " " Carfare | 1.50 |
| To " " Stationary | 86 |
| To " " Express | 15 |
| Total | \$ 99.27 |

John Parkhurst for services as one of the Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor the past year. \$ 76.25

W. K. Cole for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors & Overseers of the Poor and as one of the board of Registrars for the past year including cash for postage &c. \$ 34.90

1887

John S. Dorman and S. A. Bixby for pathing snow
from the First church to Chas. Thwing's \$4.00

Voted To accept the following list of names of persons
presented by the Selectmen as jurors.

| | |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| Geo. B. Austin | Stephen A. Bixby |
| William K. Cole | John W. Parkhurst |
| Walter I. Chadwick | Israel Herrick |
| James C. Whitney | Solomon W. Howe |
| David M. Cole | Henry Perley |
| Geo. A. Harriman | John T. Twisden |
| Isaac C. Day | Joseph B. Fisk |

Art 17 - Voted To accept the Statute of 1886 introducing
presinct voting - Chap 264 -

Voted To authorize the Treasurer with the appro-
val of the Selectmen to hire such amount of
money as may be necessary for the payment
of demands upon him in anticipation of the
taxes of the ensuing year & payable therefrom -

" 18th Voted not to exempt the Real Estate of the Barker
free School from taxation

Voted To accept the report of the Auditors -

Voted - On the question shall licenses be
granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in
this town Yes, one - No nineteen.

Voted To accept the report of the Selectmen
relative to Guide posts and boards.

Voted To accept the report of the Committee on
School Funds.

Voted To abate a tax of \$7.64 set to William M.
Andrews in tax list of 1886 -

Voted To pass over the 13th & 14th articles or not
to adopt them, also the 28th article

Voted To Desolve the meeting

(Attest) B. S. Barnes Town Clerk -

Whereas the inhabitants of Boyford qualified to vote in elections, at a legal meeting held March 7th of the current year, voted to accept the provisions of Chapter 264 Acts of 1886, which is "An Act to provide for precinct voting in towns".

In accordance with the requirements of Section first of said Act, the subscribers, the Selectmen of said town of Boyford hereby certify that we have divided the town into two convenient voting precincts as follows, viz:

Beginning at a stone monument at Georgetown line, near the house of Patten & Metcalf, next westerly thereof - thence by the house of Charles A. Stetson, southerly thereof - thence by the house of William K. Cole, southerly thereof to a Stone monument at North Andover line.

And all that portion of Boyford East and southerly of said line shall be known as the first precinct and that portion west and north-
erly of the above mentioned line shall be known as the second precinct.

Given under our hands at Boyford
this twenty seventh day of April A.D. 1887.

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| Geo. W. Chadwick | } Selectmen of Boyford. |
| John Parkhurst | |
| Stephen A. Bixby | |

A true copy

Attest, B. S. Barnes, Town Clerk.

(See change
to northwesterly
Page 442.
1890.)

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Bofford qualified by law to vote in election of Town officers - held Oct 11th 1887 -

Art 1st - Chose George W. Chadwick Moderator

" 2^d To see if the town will accept the doings of the Selectmen relative to precinct lines in said town, and establish the same - the doings of the Selectmen was read in open town meeting & unanimously accepted

" 3^d To act on other business.

Voted that the Town Clerk provide a ballot-box & record books for Precinct voting records - Voted to Dissolve the meeting

A true Copy - Attest B. S. Barnes, Clerk

The Subscribers Selectmen of Bofford in accordance with the provisions of the Public Statutes Chapter 264 Sec 7th hereby appoint the following named persons for Wardens in the first Precinct in said Town for the term of one year, James P. Cleaveland and John Parkhurst and for Clerk of said precinct F. J. Stevens -

and for the Second precinct, Wardens George W. Chadwick & William K. Cole, and for Clerk of said precinct James H. Webster

Geo W. Chadwick } Selectmen
John Parkhurst } of
Bofford Oct 13th 1887 Stephen A. Bixby } Bofford

A true Copy Attest B. S. Barnes

Town Clerk. -

The above appointed officers have been Sworn to the faithful discharge of their several duties, before me B. S. Barnes, Town Clerk

Bofford Nov 2^d /87 Except Mr. W. K. Cole who was Sworn by Edw. E. Pearl Justice of the Peace.

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of Boxford (in Precinct No 1) qualified to vote in elections held in the Vestry in the First Parish of said town on Tuesday the eighth day of November A.D. 1887 to give in their votes for -

Governor, Lieutenant Governor - Councillor 5th Dis
Secretary of the Commonwealth Treasurer and
Receiver General, Auditor of the Commonwealth
Attorney General, Senator 5th Essex District,
Representative in General Court for 7th Essex
District, and for a County Commissioner

All on One ballot. Before opening the Polls the
ballot box was opened and shown to be empty and
then closed and locked and the key given to Constable Town -

The Polls were opened 10 o'clock

The Register set at 0

The Polls were Closed 2-22 o'clock

Register indicated 64 Sixty four

Check list 64

Number of ballots 64-Sixty four

The ballots were all counted Sorted and Public
declaration made thereof in open meeting as the
law directs and were as follows. -

For Governor of the Commonwealth

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Olive Ames of Easton | Forty two |
| Henry B. Lovering of Lynn | Thirteen |
| Wm H. Earle of Worcester | Nine |

For Lieutenant Governor

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| John Q A Brackett of Arlington | Forty two |
| Walter E. Cutting of Pittsfield | Thirteen |
| John Blackmer of Springfield | Nine |

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

Henry B. Peirce of Abington Forty two
 John F. Murphy of Lawrence - Thirteen
 Amos E. Hall of Chelsea - Nine

For Treasurer and Receiver General

Alanson W. Beard of Boston Forty two
 Henry G. Thacher " Garmouth Thirteen
 John L. Kilbon " Lee Nine

For Auditor of the Commonwealth

Charles E. Ladd of Springfield Forty two
 Wm F. Cook of Springfield Thirteen
 Edmund M. Stowe of Hudson Nine

For Attorney General

Andrew J. Waterman " Pittsfield 42 forty two
 John W. Corcoran " Clinton Thirteen
 Allen Coffin of Nantucket Nine

For Senator - Fifth Essex

David Walker of Lynn 37 thirty seven
 Asa T. Newhall " " Sixteen
 William P. Alcott of Boxford Eleven

For Councillor Fifth District

Frank D. Allen of Lynn Forty two
 John H. Cheever " Manchester Thirteen
 Ezra Woodbury " Salem Nine

For County Commissioner

John W. Raymond of Beverly Forty two
 George H. Blinn of Salem Thirteen
 Daniel Worthen of Amesbury Nine

Representative in General Court Essex 7th District

William A. Butler of Georgetown Thirty eight -
 Edwin S. Daniels " Georgetown Seventeen
 Amos J. Millett " Georgetown Nine

Meeting Dissolved -

The above is a true copy of the above votes
 cast

F. J. Stevens Clerk of
 Precinct No 1

A true copy

Attest) -- B. S. Barnes Town Clerk

At a legal Meeting of the legal voters of 2^d precinct of the Town of Bofford held in the Vestry of the 2^d Parish Church in Said Town on Tuesday the 8th day of November 1887 for the purpose of giving in their votes for Governor of the Commonwealth, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor and Attorney General, Also for a Councilor for the fifth district, for a Senator for the 5th Essex district for a Representative to the Gen Court for the 7th Essex district and for one County Commissioner for the County of Essex, All on one ballot

The polls were opened at 9 o'clock
o'clock and may be closed at one

Before opening the Ballot box was publicly exposed to view and shown to be empty and immediately locked

The poll was closed at 1.40 o'clock

The Register indicated 47 - forty seven

Check list 47 forty seven

Whole number of ballots 47 forty seven

The ballots were all sorted counted and recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs and were for the following persons viz

For Governor

Oliver Ames of Easton thirty one
Henry B. Lovering of Lynn Eleven
William H. Earl of Worcester four
Scattering - one

For Lieutenant Governor

John L. A. Brackett of Arlington Thirty one
Walter Cutting of Pittsfield Twelve
John Blackmer of Springfield Four.

For Secretary of the Commonwealth
 Henry B. Pierce of Abington Thirty two
 John F. Murphy of Lowell Eleven
 Amos E. Hall of Chelsea Four

For Treasurer and Receiver General
 Alanson W. Beard of Boston Thirty one
 Henry C. Thatcher of Yarmouth Twelve
 John L. Kilbom of Lee Four

For Auditor
 Charles R. Ladd of Springfield Thirty one
 William F. Cook of Springfield Twelve
 Edmund M. Stow of Hudson Four

For Attorney General
 Andrew J. Waterman of Pittsfield Thirty two
 John W. Concoran of Clinton Eleven
 Allen Coffin of Nantucket Four

For Councillor Fifth District
 Frank D. Allen of Lynn Thirty one
 John H. Cheres of Manchester Twelve
 Ezra Woodbury of Salem Four

For County Commissioner
 John W. Raymond of Beverly Thirty two
 George H. Blinn of Salem Twelve
 Daniel Worthen of Amesbury Three

For Senator fifth Essex District
 David Walker of Lynn Thirty
 Asa T. Newhall of Lynn Twelve
 William P. Alcott of Boxford Five

For Representative to Seventh Essex District
 William A. Butler of Georgetown Nineteen
 Edwin S. Daniels of Georgetown Twenty five
 No. of blanks Three

Meeting Dissolved
 This is to Certify that the above is a true copy
 of the above votes cast —
 James H. Webster Clerk of Precinct ^{No. 2}

Attest. B. S. Barnes Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the votes cast for Senator
 for the 5th Essex District in this town at the
 recent election were recounted Nov. 15th, and
 they were found to be correct, and no change
 whatever for either candidate,

Boxford Nov. 17th/87

Attest. B. S. Barnes, Town Clerk. —

At a meeting of the Clerks of the Towns of Groveland Georgetown Topsfield & Boyford held at the office of the Town Clerk of Georgetown Nov 18th 1887 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the vote for Representative to the General Court for the 7th Essex District, the vote of each Town as presented by their Clerks was as follows -

In Groveland

| | |
|----------------------------|-----|
| Wm A. Butler of Georgetown | 130 |
| Edwin S. Daniels - | 184 |
| Amos J. Millett - | 7 |

In Georgetown

| | |
|----------------------------|-----|
| Wm A. Butler of Georgetown | 273 |
| Edwin S. Daniels " " | 132 |

In Boyford

| | |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Wm. A. Butler of Georgetown | 57 |
| Edwin S. Daniels " " | 42 |
| Amos J. Millett " " | 9 |

In Topsfield

| | |
|----------------------------|----|
| Wm A. Butler of Georgetown | 77 |
| Edwin S. Daniels " " | 43 |
| Amos J. Millett " " | 14 |

And it was ascertained that Wm A. Butler was elected by a Majority of one hundred and six votes, and certificates of his election were filled out and signed.

Attest B. S. Barnes
Town Clerk -

Boxford Nov. 8th/87

The following is a Condensed record of the returns from the two Precinct Clerks as reported from the Precincts Nov 8th/87 and the votes were for the following officers viz -

For Governor of Commonwealth

| | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------|----|
| Oliver Ames, of Easton | Seventy three | 73 |
| Henry B. Lovering of Lynn | Twenty four | 24 |
| William H. Earl, of Worcester | Thirteen | 13 |
| Scattering one | | 1 |

For Lieutenant Governor

| | | |
|----------------------------------|---------------|----|
| John D. A. Brackett of Arlington | Seventy three | 73 |
| Walter Cutting of Pittsfield | Twenty five | 25 |
| John Blackmer, of Springfield | Thirteen | 13 |

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

| | | |
|------------------------------|--------------|----|
| Henry B. Pierce, of Abington | Seventy four | 74 |
| John F. Murphy, of Lowell | Twenty four | 24 |
| Amos E. Hall, of Chelsea | Thirteen | 13 |

For Treasurer and Receiver General

| | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------|----|
| Alanson W. Beard, of Boston | Seventy three | 73 |
| Henry C. Thacher, of Yarmouth | Twenty five | 25 |
| John L. Kilbon, of Lee | Thirteen | 13 |

For Auditor

| | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|----|
| Charles R. Ladd, of Springfield | Seventy three | 73 |
| William F. Cook, of Springfield | Twenty five | 25 |
| Edmund M. Stow, of Hudson | Thirteen | 13 |

For Attorney General

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|----|
| Andrew J. Waterman, of Pittsfield | Seventy four | 74 |
| John W. Concoran, of Clinton | Twenty four | 24 |
| Allen Coffin, of Nantucket | Thirteen | 13 |

Feb. 10th/88 This is to Certify that I have this day destroyed the votes cast at the last Nov Election in Boxford.

B. S. Barker & Son Clerk.

For Councillor Fifth District

| | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|----|
| Frank D. Allen, of Lynn | Seventy three | 73 |
| John H. Cheerer, of Manchester | Twenty five | 25 |
| Ezra Woodbury, of Salem | Thirteen | 13 |

For County Commissioner

| | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|----|
| John W. Raymond, of Beverly | Seventy four | 74 |
| George H. Blinn, of Salem | Twenty five | 25 |
| Daniel W. Northern, of Amesbury | Twelve | 12 |

For Senator Fifth Essex District

| | | |
|------------------------------|--------------|----|
| David Walker, of Lynn | Sixty Seven | 67 |
| Ara T. Newhall, of Lynn | Twenty eight | 28 |
| William P. Alcott of Boxford | Sixteen | 16 |

For Representative Seventh Essex District

| | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|----|
| William A. Butler of Georgetown | Fifty seven | 57 |
| Edwin S. Daniels of Georgetown | Forty two | 42 |
| Amos J. Millett of Georgetown | Nine | 9 |
| No of blanks | three | 3 |

A true Copy of the votes as returned
Attest - B. S. Barnes Town Clerk

1888

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of Bofford
qualified to vote in Elections and Town affairs held
March 5th 1888 at the Vestry in the East Parish.

Chose J. P. Cleaveland Moderator & Sworn

Chose B. S. Barnes Town Clerk, Sworn by J. P. C.

Chose John Parkhurst, Wm K. Cole & Isaac C. Day, Selectmen
assessors, & overseers of the Poor

Chose Albert H. Town & Charles R. Anderson Constables

" Francis J. Stevens School committee for 3 yrs

" Warren M. Cole Treasurer & Collector

| | | | |
|-------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Chose | John S. Dorman | J. W. Chadwick | } Field Drivers |
| | John W. Parkhurst | Charles B. Carlton | |
| | Albert H. Town | James H. Nason | |
| | Benj. Flood | Charles Perley | |
| | Alden Spofford | | |

| | | | |
|-------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| Chose | George W. Curtis | Hiram Town | } Surveyors of Highways |
| | Stephen A. Bixby | John Parkhurst | |
| | Stephen A. Bixby | Wm K. Cole | |
| | Thomas P. Killam | Samuel Sias | |
| | L. B. Tidds | Charles B. Carlton | |
| | Henry Perley | J. C. Day | |
| | Israel Herrick | George A. Herriman | |
| | S. W. Howe | J. W. Chadwick | |
| | Samuel A. Frye | Warren M. Cole | |
| | George W. Chadwick | | |

| | | | |
|-------|-----------------|---------------|------------------------------|
| Chose | George P. Frame | S. P. Peabody | } Surveyors of Lumbers |
| | Israel Herrick | J. H. Nason | |
| | S. W. Howe | J. J. Porter | |
| | Albert Hovey | J. H. Webster | |
| | John Parkhurst | W. K. Cole | |

Chose Henry Moulton & E. E. Pearl Pound Keepers

Chose John Parkhurst R. W. Emerson
 B. S. Barnes George B. Austin } Surveyors
 George A. Harriman S. W. Howe } of
 D. S. Gillis J. M. Pearl } Wood & Bark
 Warren M. Cole J. T. Wood }

Chose B. S. Barnes, J. Warren Chadwick, George W. Chadwick
 Fence Viewers

Voted That the Selectmen make out the Town report
 With the Treasurers report & the Town Warrant added
 and that it be prepared for the people one week
 before town meeting.

Voted That the School Committee Chose the Superintendant of Schools & that the Salary shall be one hundred ^{dollars}

Voted To accept the report on Guide Boards -

Voted To accept the report of the Committee on School Funds

Voted To raise \$1400. for Schools \$200. of it for Musick

Voted To raise \$2100. for Town expenses -

Voted To raise \$1000. for Highways & \$200. to be put into the
 Selectmens hand in case of need -

Voted To buy a road Machine & that the Selectmen buy it

Article 11 Postponed -

Voted That the Surveyors use their discretion in regard to
 pathing Snow & that they shall allow for a man
 & for a yoke of oxen 20 cts per hour and for a pair of
 horses 30 cts per hour while at work on the road in
 pathing Snow - And that the Surveyors allow
 for a man 15 cts per hour & for a yoke of oxen 20 cts & for
 a Plough, Cart, or shovel, 5 cts per hour each

Voted That the taxes be assessed & committed to the Collector
 by the first of August, & 4 per cent will be allowed on all
 taxes paid by Sept 1st & 2 per ct on all pd by October 1st
 & they shall all be collected by Jan 1st 1889 -

Voted That wood shall be furnished the schools same as
 last year except that it shall be paid for from the
 Town Treasury.

Voted That in regard to regulating Fishing in our lease
 ed ponds be left with the Selectmen -

1888

Voted That the Town petition the General Court of Massachusetts for leave to controled their leased ponds after the expiration of the present lease - and Chose a Committee to attend to it.

Chose Warren M. Cole, George W. Chadwick and J. W. Chadwick said Committee.

The following is a list of jurors accepted by the Town

George B. Austin

Stephen A. Bixby

Morris L. Cole

James P. Cleaveland

David M. Cole

John W. Parkhurst

Walter S. Chadwick

A. G. Hurlbutt [A. G. Hurlbutt
J. W. S.]

James C. Whitney

Henry Berley

George A. Harriman

John T. Tinsden

Alonzo J. Henley

Daniel W. Conant

Voted To allow the following bills of Charge

George W. Chadwick for Service as
Chairman of the Selectmen assessors & overseers of
the Poor the past year \$110.00

To Cash paid for Carfare 4.55

To " " " Postage 1.04

To " " " Stationary 75

" " " Justice fees 1.50

" " " Express 15

total \$117.99

John Parkhurst for Service as one of the Assessors
Selectmen & Overseers of the Poor the past year \$78.00

Stephen A. Bixby for services as one of the Select-
men Assessors and Overseers of the poor
the past year 32.50

Francis J. Stevens for Services as School Committee
the past year 100.00

To Cash paid for Clock for School No 1 5.00
\$105.00

Town of Boyford to Edward E. Pearl Dr.
 To extra labor on Highways for 1887 \$50.00
 To George Doherty for Extra labor on Highways \$23.50
 To C. R. Anderson to posting town warrant 2.00
 To looking up unlicensed dogs 1.50
 3.50

J. P. Cleaveland to service as Precinct Warden 2.00
 Charles Perry to labor on Highways 3.66

Israel F. S. Pofford to service as school Committee 8.95

Voted

To authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to hire such amount of Money as may be necessary for the payment of demands upon him in anticipation of the Taxes of the ensuing year and payable therefrom

There was 51 Votes Cast in regard to granting licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town

The Check list indicated 51 the Ballot box 51 & the votes 51
 46 No & 5 yes - before voting the box was opened and was empty & set at 0 -

Voted

That the Money refunded from Dog licenses shall be divided amongst the Schools

Voted

In regard to Highway District No 16 be left with the Selectmen

Voted

That Mr Geretts Claim for damage be left with the Selectmen for settlement by a suit at law or otherwise, they being authorized to employ Council if necessary -

Voted

That the Selectmen paint the Almshouse

Voted

That Eben L. Hooper be paid \$20.00 to expend on his Road

Voted

That a vote of thanks be extended to Mr. - Wilmarth for his extended out-lays in beautifying the grounds about his Mansion in the West Parish of Boyford -

Voted

The thanks of the Meeting were voted to J. P. Cleaveland for his service as Moderator of the present Meeting.

Meeting Dissolved

Attest B. S. Barnes. Town Clerk.

Boxford Oct 1st 1888

The Subscribers hereby appoint John Parkhurst and James P. Cleaveland Wardens, and Francis J. Sterens Clerk for Precinct one (first Parish)

Also Wm K. Cole and George W. Chadwick for Wardens and James H. Webster, Clerk for Precinct two Second Parish - Said officers to serve for one year from November first 1888

Wm K. Cole { Selectmen
of
Boxford

A True Copy Attest B. S. Barnes, Town Clerk

Nov 5th/88 the above Wardens & Clerks have been sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties -

B. S. Barnes, Town Clerk

At a Meeting of the Clerks of the towns of Groveland
Georgetown Boyford & Topsfield held at the office of
the Clerk of Georgetown Nov 16th/88 For the purpose
of ascertaining the result of the votes for Repre-
sentative to the General Court for Essex District
No 7 The vote of each town as presented by the Clerks
was as follows

| For - | Pike. | Woodbury - | Donaldson |
|------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| Groveland | 219 | 218 | 7 |
| Georgetown | 277 | 176 | 4 |
| Boyford | 96 | 64 | 8 |
| Topsfield | <u>104</u> | <u>114</u> | <u>11</u> |
| | 696 | 572 | 30 |

Pike Majority ninety four

And it was ascertained that Baxter P. Pike
was elected by ninety four Majority and a
Certificate was made out & signed - of his
Election.

Attest B. S. Barnes, Town Clerk.

The following is a true record of votes in
the two Precincts in Boyford cast Nov. 6th/88

Attest B. S. Barnes. —

For Electors at large for President & Vice President

George D. Robinson of Chicopee 107

William F. Draper " Hopedale 107

James H. Roberts of Cambridge nine

John Blackmer of Springfield, nine

John Boyle O'Reilly of Boston, fifty one

George M. Stearns of Chicopee, fifty one

District No By Districts, One hundred and seven

1 John H. Reed of Barnstable, One hundred & seven

2 George E. Freeman of Brockton, One hundred & seven

3 Halsey J. Boardman of Boston, One hundred & seven

4 Elijah Mertain Hatch " Boston, One hundred & seven

5 Henry J. Wells of Cambridge, One hundred & seven

6 Horatio Wellington of Boston, One hundred & seven

7 Francis Norwood of Beverly, One hundred & seven

8 Charles W. Bell of Lawrence, One hundred & seven

9 Charles D. Tirrell of Natick, One hundred & seven

10 Frank P. Goulding of Worcester, One hundred & seven

11 Chester C. Conant of Greenfield, One hundred & seven

12 Elisha Morgan of Springfield, One hundred & seven

Thomas C. Day of Barnstable, fifty one 51

Brushrod Morse of Sharon, fifty one 51

Nathan Matthews Jr Boston, fifty one 51

Matthew Kearney of Boston, fifty one 51

Charles H. Taylor Boston, fifty one 51

Henry Bradlee of Medford, fifty one 51

James F. Dean of Salem, fifty one 51

John C. Sanborn, Lawrence, fifty one 51

William Aspinwall Brookline, fifty one 51

Edward W. Lincoln of Worcester, fifty one 51

Frederic S. Coolidge of Ashburnham fifty one 51

Walter Cutting of Pittsfield fifty one

| | |
|--------------------------------|------|
| John D. Flint of Fall River | nine |
| William J. Smith of Taunton | nine |
| James M. Gray of Boston | nine |
| Israel S. Trافتon of Boston | nine |
| Andrew Howe " Boston | nine |
| George H. Harwood of Lynn | nine |
| Daniel W. Friend of Manchester | nine |
| Orsen E. Mallory " Lowell | nine |
| Charles M. Bowers of Clinton | nine |
| Edward D. Conant " Worcester | nine |
| Julius H. Seelye " Amherst | nine |
| Howard A. Gibbs " Lee | nine |

For Governor

| |
|--|
| Oliner Ames of Easton, One hundred & six |
| William C. Russell of Cambridge, fifty two |
| William H. Earl " Worcester, ten |

Lieutenant Governor

| |
|---|
| John D. A. Brackett of Arlington, One hundred & seven |
| John W. Concoran of Clinton, fifty two |
| John Bascom " Williamstown, nine |

For Secretary of State

| |
|--|
| Henry B. Pierce of Abington, One hundred & eight |
| William V. Esgood of Boston, fifty one |
| Henry C. Smith of Williamsburgh nine |

For Treasurer

| |
|---|
| George A. Marden of Lowell, One hundred & seven |
| Henry C. Thacher of Yarmouth, fifty two |
| John M. Fisher of Attleborough, nine |

For Auditor

| |
|---|
| Charles R. Ladd of Springfield, One hundred seven |
| William A. Williams of Worcester, fifty two |
| Edmund M. Stow of Hudson, nine |

For Attorney Gen.

| |
|---|
| Andrew J. Waterman of Pittsfield, One hundred & two |
| Allen Coffin " Nantucket nine |
| Samuel O. Lamb " Greenfield, fifty two |

For Councillor, Fifth District.

Augustus Mudge of Danvers One hundred seven
 William Stopford " Beverly fifty two
 Ezra Woodbury " Salem nine

For Representative to Congress 7 Cong District

William Cogswell of Salem one hundred & two
 Samuel Roads Jr. of Marblehead fifty four
 James J. H. Gregory of Marblehead nine

For County Commissioner.

Edward B. Bishop of Haverhill, One hundred seven
 Charles A. Maxwell " Haverhill fifty two
 William B. Morgan of Wenham nine

State Senator fifth Essex District

David Walker of Lynn, ninety
 George D. Hart " Lynn sixty nine
 William P. Alcott of Boxford eight

For County Treasurer

E. Kendall Jenkins of Andover one hundred nine
 James Quinn of Hamilton, fifty two
 Jacob Spalding of Salisbury, eight

For Register of Probate & Insolvency

Jeremiah T. Mahoney of Salem One hundred fifty nine
 Daniel W. French of Amesbury, nine

For Register of Deed Southern District.

Charles S Osgood of Salem, One hundred seven
 Charles Osgood " " fifty two
 Jeremiah C Underhill of Ipswich, nine

Representative to Gen Court 7 Dis

Baxter P. Pike of Topsfield ninety six
 Isaac M. Woodbury Topsfield Sixty four
 Wellington Donalson of Topsfield eight

Report of the ballot in the First Precinct of Boyford
November 6th 1888

At a legal meeting of the legal Voters of the first precinct of the Town of Boyford, held in the Vestry of the first parish church in said Town on Tuesday the Sixth day of November 1888 for the purpose of giving in their votes for Presidential Electors, Governor, & Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor and Attorney General, Also for a Councillor for the fifth District, For a Senator for the fifth Essex District - For Register of Probate and insolvency, For County Commissioner - For County Treasurer, Register of deeds in the Southern Essex district and Representative to the General Court from the seventh Representative district, - All on one ballot

The polls were opened at ten o'clock and closed at two o'clock. Before opening, the ballot box was opened and exposed to the public view and shown to be empty and immediately locked and the key placed in the hands of Constable A. H. Towne.

The box registered, 000 -

At the close the register indicated ninety five (95)

The checklist ninety five (95)

Whole number of ballots ninety five (95)

The ballots were all sorted counted and recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs and were for the following persons Viz.

For Presidential Electors.

George D. Robinson of Chicopee, sixty votes (60)
William F. Draper of Hopedale, sixty " (60)
at large, John Boyle O'Reilly of Boston, twenty six (26)
George M. Stearns of Chicopee Twenty six (26)
James H. Roberts of Cambridge, eight - (8)

John Blackmer of Springfield, eight votes (8)

District 1 John H. Reed of Barnstable sixty .. (60)
 Thomas C. Day of Barnstable twenty six .. (26)
 John D. Flint of Fall River eight .. (8)

District 2 George E. Freeman of Brocton sixty .. (60)
 Bulshrod Morse of Sharon twenty six .. (26)
 William J. Smith of Taunton eight .. (8)

District 3 Halsey J. Boardman of Boston sixty .. (60)
 Nathan Matthews jr of Boston twenty six .. (26)
 James M. Gray of Boston eight .. (8)

District 4 Elijah Mestain Hatch of Boston sixty .. (60)
 Matthew Kearny of Boston twenty six .. (26)
 Israel S. Trafton of Boston eight .. (8)

District 5 Henry J. Wells of Cambridge sixty .. (60)
 Charles H. Taylor of Boston twenty six .. (26)
 Andrew Howes of Boston eight .. (8)

District 6 Horatio Wellington of Boston sixty .. (60)
 Henry Bradlee of Medford twenty six .. (26)
 George H. Harwood of Lynn eight .. (8)

District 7 Francis Norwood of Beverly sixty .. (60)
 James F. Dean of Salem twenty six .. (26)
 Daniel W. Friend of Manchester eight .. (8)

District 8 Charles U. Bell of Lawrence sixty .. (60)
 John C. Sanborn of Lawrence twenty six .. (26)
 Orson C. Mallory of Lowell eight .. (8)

District 9 Charles D. Firrell of Natick sixty .. (60)
 William Aspinwall of Brookline twenty six .. (26)
 Charles M. Bowers of Clinton eight .. (8)

Frank P. Goulding of Worcester sixty votes (60)
 District 10 Edward W. Lincoln " " twenty six " (26)
 Edward D. Conant " " eight " (8)

Chester C. Conant of Greenfield sixty " (60)
 District 11 Frederick S. Cooledge, Ashburnham twenty six " (26)
 Julius H. Seelye " Amherst eight " (8)

Elisha Morgan of Springfield Sixty " (60)
 District 12 Walter Cuttings of Pittsfield twenty six " (26)
 Howard A. Gills of Lee eight " (8)

Oliver Ames " Easton Sixty " (60)
 For Governor William E. Russell " Cambridge, twenty seven (27)
 William H. Earle " Worcester eight " (8)

John D. A. Brackett of Arlington Sixty " (60)
 For Lieut. John W. Corcoran " Clinton twenty seven " (27)
 Governor, John Bascon " Williamstown eight " (8)

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

* Written
 Abington in
 the original, but
 should be
 Arlington.
 John W. Parkhurst,
 Henry B. Pierce of Abington sixty " (60)
 William N. Osgood " Boston twenty seven " (27)
 Henry C. Smith " Williamsburg eight " (8)

For Treasurer and Receiver General

George A. Marden of Lowell sixty " (60)
 Henry C. Thacker " Garmouth twenty seven " (27)
 John M. Fisher " Attleborough eight " (8)

[Auditor]

Charles R. Ladd " Springfield sixty " (60)
 William A. Williams " Worcester twenty seven " (27)
 Edmond M. Stowe " Hudson eight " (8)

For Attorney General

Andrew J. Watterman of Pittsfield Sixty " (60)
 Samuel W. Lamb " Greenfield twenty seven " (27)
 Allen Coffin " Nantucket eight " (8)

For Councillor fifth District

Augustus Mudge of Danvers sixty votes (60)
 William Stopford " Beverly twenty seven " (27)
 Ezra Woodbury " Salem eight " (8)

For Representative to Congress 7th District =

William Cogswell of Salem fifty six votes (56)
 Samuel Roads jr " Marblehead twenty nine " (29)
 James J. H. Gregory " " eight " (8)

For County Commissioner

Edward B. Bishop of Haverhill sixty " (60)
 Charles A. Maxwell " " twenty seven " (27)
 William B. Morgan " Wenham eight " (8)

For Senator fifth Essex District

David Walker of Lynn fifty seven Votes (57)
 George D. Hart " Lynn thirty " (30)
 William P. Alcott " Boyford seven " (7)

For Register of Probate and insolvency

Jeremiah T. Mahoney of Salem Eighty seven " (87)
 Daniel W. French of Amesbury eight " (8)

For County Treasurer

E. Kendall Jenkins of Andover sixty one " (61)
 James Grinn " Hamilton twenty seven " (27)
 Jacob F. Spalding " Salisbury seven " (7)

For Register of Deeds Southern District

Charles S. Osgood " Salem sixty votes (60)
 Charles Osgood " Salem " twenty seven " (27)
 Jeremiah C. Underhill " Ipswich eight " (8)

For Representative to the General Court 7th Essex District

Baxter P. Pike of Topsfield fifty three " (53)
 Isaac M. Woodbury of Topsfield thirty four " (34)
 Wellington Donaldson " " eight " (8)

Attest Francis J. Stevens Clerk

Precinct No 1.

A true Copy

Attest B. S. Barnes,

Town Clerk.

No 2 Precinct Records -

Pursuant to the Warrant the inhabitants of Precinct Two (2) qualified to vote as the law directs, assembled at the time and place and for the purpose therein expressed -

At (10) ten o'clock A.M. the Warrant calling the meeting was read by the Warden who then publicly opened the ballot box and the same having been personally examined by the election Officers and the public, was found to be empty.

The ballot box was immediately locked the register indicating 000 and the key of the box was taken and retained by Charles R. Anderson the Constable in attendance.

The Warden then called upon the inhabitants of said Precinct qualified by law to vote, to give in their ballots for the purposes expressed in said Warrant.

The ballot box remained locked while the polls were open.

At two o'clock and eight minutes P.M. (2 O'clock and 8 minutes) the polls were closed, the ballot box was found to register Seventy three (73) the ballot box without being removed from the public view, was then opened by the Warden the ballots were ^{taken} therefrom and publicly counted one by one and the Warden publicly announced the whole number to be Seventy three (73) The Precinct Officers then proceeded to count the number of votes received by each person voted for, with the following results viz:

Harrison and Morton, Republican Ticket.
 For Presidential Electors - At Large
 George D. Robinson of Chicopee had Forty seven 47
 William F. Draper of Hopedale had Forty seven 47

District.

- No 1 John H. Reed of Barnstable had Forty seven 47
- " 2 George E. Freeman of Brockton had Forty seven 47
- " 3 Halsey J. Boardman of Boston had Forty seven 47
- " 4 Elijah Mertain Hatch of Boston had Forty seven 47
- " 5 Henry J. Wells of Cambridge had Forty seven 47
- " 6 Horatio Wellington of Boston had Forty seven 47
- " 7 Francis Norwood of Beverly had Forty seven 47
- " 8 Charles N. Bell of Lawrence had Forty seven 47
- " 9 Charles D. Inrell of Natick had Forty seven 47
- " 10 Frank P. Goulding of Worcester had Forty seven 47
- " 11 Chester C. Conant of Greenfield had Forty seven 47
- " 12 Elisha Morgan of Springfield had Forty seven 47

For Governor

Total number of ballots cast Seventy three 73
 For Oliver Ames of Easton had Forty six 46

For Lieutenant Governor

John D. A. Brackett of Arlington had Forty seven 47

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

Henry B. Peirce of Abington had Forty eight 48

For Treasurer and Receiver General

George A. Marden of Lowell had Forty seven 47

For Auditor

Charles O. Ladd of Springfield had Forty seven 47

For Attorney General

Andrew J. Waterman of Pittsfield had Forty seven 47

For Counsellors, Fifth District

Augustus Mudge of Danvers had Forty seven 47

For Representative to Congress

Seventh Congressional District,

William Cogswell of Salem had Forty six 46

For County Commissioner

Edward B. Bishop of Haverhill had Forty seven 47

For State Senator Fifth Essex District

David Walker of Lynn had Thirty three 33

For County Treasurer

E. Kendall Jenkins of Andover had Forty eight 48

For Register of Probate and Insolvency

Jeremiah T. Mahoney of Salem had seventy two 72

For Register of Deeds Southern District.
Charles S. Osgood of Salem had Forty seven 47

For Representative to General Court
Seventh Essex District
Baxter P. Pike of Topsfield had Forty three 43

Democratic Ticket

For Presidential Electors at large
John Boyle O'Reilly of Boston had Twenty five 25

George M. Stearns of Chicopee had Twenty five 25

District 1 Thomas C. Day of Barnstable had Twenty five 25

" 2 Rushrod Morse of Sharon had Twenty five 25

" 3 Nathan Matthews Jr. of Boston had Twenty five 25

" 4 Matthew Kearney of Boston had Twenty five 25

" 5 Charles H. Taylor of Boston had Twenty five 25

" 6 Henry Bradlee of Medford had Twenty five 25

" 7 James F. Dean of Salem had Twenty five 25

" 8 John C. Sanborn of Lawrence had Twenty five 25

" 9 William Aspinwall of Brookline had Twenty five 25

" 10 Edward W. Lincoln of Worcester had Twenty five 25

" 11 Frederic S. Coolidge of Ashburnham had Twenty five 25

" 12 Walter Cutting of Pittsfield had Twenty five 25

For Governor

William E. Russell, of Cambridge had Twenty five 25

For Lieutenant Governor

John W. Corcoran of Clinton had Twenty five 25

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

William N. Osgood of Boston had Twenty five 25

For Treasurer & Receiver General

Henry C. Thacher of Yarmouth had Twenty five 25

For Auditor

William A. Williams of Worcester had Twenty five 25

For Attorney General

Samuel C. Lamb of Greenfield had Twenty five 25

For Register of Deeds

Charles Osgood of Salem had Twenty five 25

For County Treasurer

James Guinn of Hamilton had Twenty four 24

For County Commissioner

Charles A. Maxwell of Haverhill had Twenty five 25

For Representative to Congress

Samuel Roads Jr. of Marblehead had Twenty three 23

Three (3) blanks

For Councillor

William S. Topford of Beverly had Twenty three 23

For Senator

George D. Hart of Lynn had thirty nine 39
one blank

For Representative to the General Court

Isaac M. Woodbury of Topsfield had thirty 30

Fisk and Brooks Prohibition Ticket
For Presidential Electors At Large

James H. Roberts of Cambridge had one 1

John Blackmer " Springfield " " "

District 1 John D. Flint " Fall River " " "

" 2 William J. Smith " Taunton " " "

" 3 James M. Gray " Boston " " "

" 4 Israel S. Trafton " " " " "

" 5 Andrew Howe " " " " "

" 6 George H. Harwood " Lynn " " "

" 7 Daniel W. Friend " Manchester " " "

" 8 Orson E. Mallary " Lowell " " "

" 9 Charles M. Bowers " Clinton " " "

" 10 Edward D. Conant " Worcester " " "

" 11 Julius H. Seelye " Amherst " " "

" 12 Howard A. Gibbs " Lee " " "

For Governor

William H. Earle of Worcester had two 2

For Lieut. Governor

John Bascom of Williamstown had one (1)

For Secretary of Commonwealth

Henry C. Smith of Williamsburg " " "

For Treasurer and Receiver General

John M. Fisher of Attleborough " " "

For Auditor

Edmund M. Stone of Hudson " " "

For Attorney General

Allen Coffin of Nantucket " " "

For Councillor 5th District

Ezra Woodbury of Salem " " "

For Representative to Congress 7th District

James J. H. Gregory of Marblehead had one (1)

For County Treasurer

Garot F. Spalding of Salisbury " " "

For County Commissioner 3 years.

William B. Morgan of Wenham " " "

March 2/89 This is to Certify that I have this day destroyed the votes cast at the last Town

For Register of Probate and Insolvency.
Daniel W. French of Amesbury had one (1)

For Register of Deeds Southern District,
Jeremiah C. Underhill of Ipswich had one (1)

For Senator 5th District
William P. Alcott of Boxford " " "
one blank

For Representative to General Court 7th District
Wellington Donaldson of Topsfield had,
one blank

The ballots were sorted, counted, recorded,
and declared, in open Precinct Meeting.

Then by a vote the Meeting was dissolved.

A true copy of record

Attest James H. Webster -

Clerk of Precinct No 2

West Boxford, Mass.

of Boxford.

November 6th 1888.

A true Copy Attest B.S. Barnes,
Town Clerk.

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At A legal meeting of the inhabitants of Bofford legally qualified ^{to vote} at elections and in town affairs. Held at the Vestry in the second Parish in said Bofford on the fourth day of March 1889 the following record was made.

Chose William K. Cole } Moderator
(Oath Administered by B S Barnes ^{Esq.} in open Meeting.)

Chose Frederick A Howe } Town Clerk.
Oath Administered by the Moderator in open meeting.

Voted That the Rev. C. L. Hubbard be invited to offer a prayer and he came forward and united in prayer with the people.

Chose George W. Chadwick } First Selectman.
John Parkhurst } Second Selectman
Henry Perley } Third Selectman

Voted That these Selectmen shall be Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Chose Albert H. Towne } Constables
George A. Harriman }

Chose William P. Cleaveland } School Committee for the
Term of three years.

Chose Edward E. Pearl } Treasurer and Collector

Chose Daniel Bixby }
T. Perley Killam }
Jeremiah R. R. }
Charles Perley }
John M. Pearl }
Humphrey Perley jr }
Lawrence B. Todd }
Edward E. Pearl }
Charles B. Barleton }
Field Drivers

Voted To take up the 13th Article of the Warrant

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Voted To choose three Road Commissioners one to serve three years, and one to serve two years, and one to serve one year.
To be chosen by Ballot

Voted To take up the second Article

Voted To Adjourn the Meeting for the space of thirty minutes

| | | | |
|-------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| Chose | Israel Herrick | Solomon W Howe | } Surveyors of Lumber |
| | Chester Killam | John Parkhurst | |
| | George P. Frame | John M Pearl | |
| | William K. Cole | J J Porter | |
| | J. H. Nason | George W. Chadwick | |

| | | | |
|-------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Chose | Stephen A Bixby | Samuel P Peabody | } Surveyor of Wood and Bark. |
| | Lawrence B. Tidd | Albert G. Hurlbutt | |
| | C A Stetson | John M. Pearl | |
| | J Horace Nason | Warren M Cole | |
| | Wm K Cole | George A. Harriman | |

| | | |
|-------|----------------|-----------------|
| Chose | B. S Barnes | } Fence Viewers |
| | John Parkhurst | |
| | Edward E Pearl | |

| | | |
|-------|----------------|------------|
| Chose | Sidney Perley | } Auditors |
| | J Horace Nason | |

Voted That the Auditors be requested to make out their report of all matters of interest to the town, and cause the report to be printed so that copies may be distributed one week before the next annual town meeting is held, also that the Warrant calling the next annual town meeting shall be printed in this report And the Selectmen shall close all accounts on or before February first 1890 and have their Book ready at that time for the Auditors to examine.

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Chose Henry Moulton } Pound Keepers
 William R Kimball }

Chose Charles Berley 2^d } Sealer of Weights and Measures

Chose Stephen A. Bixby } Road Commissioner
 } for three years
 George A. Harriman } Road Commissioner
 } for two years
 William K Cole } Road Commissioner
 } for one year

Voted To instruct the School Committee to choose a Superintendent of Schools

Voted To accept the report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts & Boards without being read

Voted To accept the report of the Committee on School Funds, without being read

Voted That the Compensation of town officers shall be as follows, The Treasurer and Collector shall receive One Hundred Dollars

The Superintendent of Schools shall receive one Hundred Dollars, The Road Commissioners shall be paid two dollars a day while in actual service The pay for the men employed to work on the roads and the teams and implements to be used thereon shall be paid for at the same rate as last year as follows "For a man fifteen cents an hour while in actual service, and for a yoke of oxen twenty cents an hour, and for a Plow, Cart, or Shovel, five cents an hour for each one.

And while Pathing Snow a man shall be allowed twenty cents an hour and a yoke of oxen twenty cents an hour and a pair of Horses thirty cents an hour

That all other bills shall be allowed by the Selectmen, except their own bills for service rendered to the town, these must be brought before the town to be allowed

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- Voted That the Moderator be paid five dollars for his services as presiding officer
- Voted To raise Fourteen Hundred Dollars for the Support of Schools and that Two Hundred Dollars of this money shall be expended for musical instruction in the Schools.
- Voted To raise Two Thousand Dollars to defray the expenses of the town for the current year and Five Hundred Dollars more in addition ~~to~~ this sum to be used in reducing the town debt
- Voted To raise Twelve Hundred Dollars to be used for repairs and amendments of Highways and Bridges the coming year.
- Voted To pass over the eleventh article of the warrant
- Voted That the Road Commissioners shall take such action as they may deem best to make the roads passable where encumbered with snow.
- Voted That the taxes shall be committed to the Collector, and other matters pertaining to them shall be the same as in the year 1887, as follows.
- That the taxes be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of September next And that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of October and two per cent on all paid before the first day of November And that all taxes shall be collected before the first day of January 1890

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Voted That the fuel to be used in the Schools shall be supplied from the Town Farm and shall be paid for from the Treasury of the town

Voted That the following list of names of persons presented by the Selectmen as jurors be acted upon separately, and they were accepted as follows

| | |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| George B. Austin | David M Cole |
| James C Whitney | Charles A. Andrew |
| William H. Anderson | William K Cole |
| Stephen K. Fowler | Stephen A Bixby |
| James P. Cleaveland | John W Parkhurst |
| I Perley Killam | Hiram N Towne |
| John F Twisden | Daniel W Conant |

Voted To allow the following bills of charge

Isaac C Day for services as Selectman
assessor and Overseer of the Poor
the past year \$ 45.00

William K Cole for services as Selectman
assessor and Overseer of the Poor \$ 61.50
Services as Register & Election Warden 8.50
Cash Paid for Stationery } 5.65
Postage and Justice Fees } 75.65

John Parkhurst for services as one of the
Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the
Poor including travelling expenses
postage, Stationery &c \$110.00

John Parkhurst to cash paid William
Garrett for damage sustained on the
Highway \$12.00

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Voted

Mrs Annie Twitchell for board and care of
Maggie McKenna from April 25th to
August 28th 1888

| | |
|-------------------|--------------|
| 16 weeks @ \$6.00 | \$ 96.00 |
| 2 weeks @ \$8.00 | 16.00 |
| | <hr/> 112.00 |

S K Fowler for Damages to Sleigh on account
of Stone in the road

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Cash paid Capt J Porter for repairs | \$ 3.50 |
| " " J H Nason " " | 2.00 |
| " " for Paint | .70 |
| Milk lost by upsetting 3 Cans | 1.05 |
| Repairs on Harness | 50 |
| | <hr/> 7.75 |

Charles C Anderson for ten hours work
pathing snow in the Spring of 1888 \$ 2.00

J F Spofford for Labor Material and
services as School Committee \$ 7.00

Voted

To accept the report presented by the Select-
men regarding the receipts and expendi-
tures and financial condition of the town

Voted

That the Committee on fisheries be contin-
ued, and that they go before the Legislature on
March 5th to secure such rights to control our
fisheries as may be deemed best for the public
good of Boyford, and Isaac C Day and James
P Cleaveland were added to the Committee

Voted

That the building of the bridge near the
residence of Samuel Twisden be placed in
the hands of the Road Commissioners.

The time and manner of building The
Material to be used and the size of the
bridge they shall determine

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- Voted To authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, To hire such amounts of money as may be needed from time to time to pay demands that may be made upon him.
In anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year and payable therefrom
- Voted Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the town as follows
Yes (11) eleven No (35) thirty five
The register on the Ballot Box indicated 46 and the Check list 46 and when the Ballot Box was opened it was found to contain 46 Ballots
- Voted To appropriate the money that may be funded on account of Dog licenses for the benefit of the town Schools the coming year
- Voted That the rebuilding and enlarging of the bridge at the "Willows" so called easterly of the house of S S Morse on the road leading to Georgetown, Be placed in the hands of the Road Commissioners for them to act in the matter as they deem best
- Voted That the books that have accumulated in the Town Clerks office which are not needed by him "such as Reports on Agriculture and other matters of interest," Shall be divided equally between the two Libraries in town
- Voted That the bridge near the house of Miss Emily Palmer shall be attended to by the Road Commissioners in whatever manner they may deem best
- Voted To Adjourn Sine Die
Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

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At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford in Precinct number one, qualified to vote in town affairs and in Elections, held at the Vestry of the First Church in said town on Monday the 22nd of April 1889 the following record of the vote "yes" or "No" was made, relative to an article of Amendment to the State Constitution viz:

The manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage are prohibited.

The whole number of votes cast was sixty
The polls were opened at 10 o'clock. The ballot box was opened and shown to be empty, locked and the key placed in the hands of Constable A. H. Towne.

The box registered 000

The polls closed at 2-10 o'clock

The box registered sixty (60)

The check list .. sixty (60)

The vote "yes" was thirty four (34)

The vote "No" was twenty six (26)

Voted to dissolve the meeting

Attest F. J. Stevens

Clerk of first precinct
Town of Boxford

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in precinct number two, qualified to vote in Town affairs and in elections, held at the Vestry of the Second Church in said Town on Monday the 22nd day of April 1889 the following certificate and record was made.

This may certify that at the precinct number two (2) in Boxford a meeting called

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by the Selectmen of said Town in this Commonwealth, on the Article of Amendment of the Constitution viz:

The manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage are prohibited

Whole number of votes cast fifty six (56)

"No" received forty three (43)

"Yes" received thirteen (13)

The polls were opened at (10) ten o'clock in the forenoon, and closed at two (2) o'clock in the afternoon.

The ballots were sorted counted recorded and declared in open precinct meeting,

Then by a vote the meeting was dissolved.

A true record

James H. Webster
Clerk of precinct number 2
of Boyford, Mass.

April 22nd 1889

A True Copy

Attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk

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At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of
Boxford legally qualified to vote at elec-
tions and in town affairs. Held at the
Vestry in the Second Parish in said Boxford
on Monday the thirtieth day of September
1889 The following record was made

Chose William K Cole } Moderator
to preside at this meeting

Chose William W Howe } Auditors
John H Nason

Voted That the Selectmen shall pay to Charles
B Carleton the sum of Fifty Dollars to
settle his demand on the town for dam-
ages incurred on the Highway in said
town on September 8th 1889

And that the Selectmen shall take
at the time of payment to Charles B Carle-
ton of this sum of Fifty Dollars his
receipt in full of all demands,
according to his agreement in open
town meeting that the said sum should
settle his entire claim for damage to
his carriage and for injuries sustained
by himself and his wife and all other
damages whatever

Voted to dissolve this meeting
Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

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The Subscribers hereby appoint the following
named persons to hold their respective
Offices for the ensuing year.

John W. Parkhurst } Election Wardens
Samuel A. Frye } Precinct one

Stephen A. Bisby } Inspectors of Elections
Henry Perley } Precinct one

William P. Cleaveland } Deputy Inspectors of
Frederick E. Ellis } Elections Precinct one

Francis J. Stevens } Clerk Precinct one

George W. Chadwick } Election Wardens
William K. Cole } Precinct Two

Warren M. Cole } Inspectors of Elections
Morris L. Cole } Precinct Two

George B. Austin } Deputy Inspector of Elections
Walter S. Chadwick } Precinct Two

James H. Webster } Clerk Precinct Two

Boxford October 5th 1889

George W. Chadwick } Selectmen
John Parkhurst } Boxford

A true copy attest J. A. Howe } Town Clerk

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Agreeably to a warrant ordered by the Selectmen to vote for State, County and district officers November 5th 1889.

The meeting of the first precinct was called to order at ten o'clock forenoon and the warrant read by John W. Parkhurst, Warden of said precinct.

The ballot box was opened and shown to be empty, locked and the key placed in the hands of Constable A. H. Fournier.

The box registered 000

The polls were closed at two o'clock.

The register indicated, one hundred and two

Checklist " " " " " 102

Whole number of votes " " " " 102

And were for the following persons viz.

For Governor.

| | |
|---|----|
| John L. A. Brackett, of Arlington, fifty four | 54 |
| William E. Russell, of Cambridge, thirty two | 32 |
| John Blackmer, of Springfield, eight | 8 |

For Lieut. Governor.

| | |
|---|----|
| William H. Haile, of Springfield, fifty seven | 57 |
| John W. Concoran, of Clinton, twenty seven | 27 |
| Benjamin F. Sturtevant, of Boston, seven | 7 |

For Secretary.

| | |
|--|----|
| Henry B. Peierce, of Abington, fifty four | 54 |
| William N. Osgood, of Boston, twenty seven | 27 |
| George D. Britten, of Buckland, seven | 7 |

For Treasurer and Receiver general

| | |
|---|----|
| George A. Marden, of Lowell, fifty four | 54 |
| Edwin L. Munn, of Holyoke, twenty six | 26 |
| Frederick L. Wing, of Ashburnham, seven | 7 |

For Auditor.

| | |
|--|----|
| Charles R. Ladd of Springfield, fifty three | 53 |
| William D. T. Trefry of Marblehead twenty five | 25 |
| William H. Gleason, of Boston seven | 7 |

For Attorney general.

| | |
|--|----|
| Andrew J. Waterman, of Pittsfield fifty three | 53 |
| Elisha B. Maynard, of Springfield twenty three | 23 |
| Allen Coffin, of Nantucket seven | 7 |

For Councillor 5th district.

| | |
|--|----|
| Augustus Mudge of Danvers forty nine | 49 |
| John J. Carrier of Newburyport twenty five | 25 |
| William P. Alcott of Boyford twelve | 12 |

For District Attorney eastern district.

| | |
|---|----|
| William H. Moody of Haverhill forty eight | 48 |
| Henry F. Harburt of Lynn thirty three | 33 |
| Jacob T. Choate of Amesbury six | 6 |

For Sheriff.

| | |
|--|----|
| Horatio G. Herrick of Lawrence fifty seven | 57 |
| James O. Parker, of Methuen twenty four | 24 |
| William B. Morgan of Wenham seven | 7 |

For County Commissioner.

| | |
|--|----|
| David W. Lowe of Gloucester fifty five | 55 |
| Horace F. Longfellow of Newbury twenty three | 23 |
| Samuel Trask of Peabody six | 6 |

For Special Commissioners.

| | |
|--|----|
| John W. Danforth of Lynnfield fifty | 50 |
| Aaron Sawyer of Amesbury fifty | 50 |
| Henry Hobbs of Wenham nineteen | 19 |
| Daniel B. Lord of Salem twenty two | 22 |
| Wellington Donaldson of Topsfield five | 5 |
| Jonathan H. Orne of Marblehead seven | 7 |

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For Commissioners of Insolvency.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|----|
| Nathaniel Hawks of Lynn | forty nine | 49 |
| Horace M. Sargent of Haverhill | forty eight | 48 |
| Charles A. Sayward, of Ipswich | forty six | 46 |
| Benjamin K. Phillips of Lynn | twenty two | 22 |
| George L. Weil of North Andover | twenty five | 25 |
| Israel W. Andrews of Danvers | seven | 7 |
| Barnard Brickett of Haverhill | seven | 7 |
| Cyrus R. Lawrence of Lawrence | six | 6 |

For Senator fifth District.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|----|
| B. Frank Southwick of Peabody | fifty one | 51 |
| George D. Hart of Lynn | twenty eight | 28 |
| John W. Perkins of Lynn | seven | 7 |

For Representative in general Court.

| | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|----|
| James P. Cleaveland of Boyford | thirty three | 33 |
| John Parkhurst of Boyford | sixty five | 65 |
| Stephen K. Fowler of Boyford | two | 2 |

A true record, attest,

Francis J. Stevens,

Clerk of Precinct, No. 1

Boyford November 5th 1889

Meeting dissolved

A true copy Attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk.

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Records of Precinct 2 - Boxford, Mass.

Pursuant to the Warrant posted by the Selectmen of said Boxford, the inhabitants of said Boxford in Precinct Two (2) qualified to vote as the law directs, assembled at the time and place and for the purpose therein expressed.

At ten (10), and twelve minutes o'clock A.M. the warrant calling the meeting was read by the warden, who then publicly opened the ballot box, and the same having been personally examined by the election officers and the public, was found to be empty. The ballot-box was immediately locked, the register indicating 000, and the key of the box was taken and retained by George A. Harriman the Constable in attendance.

The warden then called upon the inhabitants of said Precinct qualified by law to vote to give in their ballots for the purpose expressed in said warrant. The ballot-box remained locked while the polls were opened, at (2) two o'clock and thirty five minutes the polls were closed. The ballot box was found to register sixty one (61).

The officers in charge of the check-list, in presence of the other officers and the public, counted in a distinct and audible voice the names, checked on said list and announced the whole number to be sixty one (61). The ballot-box without being removed from the public view, was then opened by the warden, the ballots were taken therefrom, and audibly counted one by one, and the warden publicly announced

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the whole number to be sixty one (61).

The precinct officers then proceeded to count the number of votes received, with the following result.

Candidates voted for in Precinct 2, town of Boxford, Tuesday November fifth (5th) A.D. 1889

For Governor.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|----|
| John Blackmer of Springfield | four | 4 |
| John L. A. Brackett of Arlington | thirty eight | 38 |
| William E. Russell of Cambridge | fifteen | 15 |
| Blanks | four | 4 |

For Lieutenant Governor.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|------------|----|
| John W. Concoran of Clinton | fourteen | 14 |
| William H. Haile of Springfield | thirty six | 36 |
| Benjamin F. Sturtevant of Boston | five | 5 |
| Blanks | six | 6 |

For Secretary

| | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|----|
| George D. Crittenden of Buckland | five | 5 |
| William N. Osgood of Boston | fourteen | 14 |
| Henry B. Peerce of Abington | thirty seven | 37 |
| Blanks | five | 5 |

For Treasurer and Receiver General.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|----|
| George A. Marden of Lowell | thirty nine | 39 |
| Edwin L. Munn of Holyoke | twelve | 12 |
| Frederick L. Wing of Ashburnham | four | 4 |
| Blanks | six | 6 |

For Auditor

| | | |
|------------------------------------|-------------|----|
| William H. Gleason of Boston | three | 3 |
| Charles R. Ladd of Springfield | thirty five | 35 |
| William D. J. Trefry of Marblehead | fourteen | 14 |
| Blanks | nine | 9 |

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For Attorney General.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------|----|
| Allen Coffin of Nantucket | three | 3 |
| Elisha B. Maynard of Springfield | fourteen | 14 |
| Andrew J. Waterman of Pittsfield | thirty eight | 38 |
| Blanks | six | 6 |

For Councillor Fifth District.

| | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|----|
| William P. Alcott of Boyford | three | 3 |
| John J. Carrier of Newburyport | fourteen | 14 |
| Augustus Mudge of Danvers | thirty eight | 38 |
| Blanks | six | 6 |

For District Attorney - Eastern District

| | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|----|
| Jacob T. Choate of Amesbury | four | 4 |
| Henry F. Hurlburt of Lynn | fourteen | 14 |
| William H. Moody of Haverhill | thirty seven | 37 |
| Blanks | six | 6 |

For Sheriff.

| | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|----|
| Horatio G. Herrick of Lawrence | thirty seven | 37 |
| William B. Morgan of Wenham | three | 3 |
| James O. Parker of Methuen | thirteen | 13 |
| Blanks | eight | 8 |

For County Commissioner.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|------------|----|
| Horace F. Longfellow of Newbury | fifteen | 15 |
| David W. Lowe of Gloucester | thirty six | 36 |
| Samuel Trask of Peabody | four | 4 |
| Blanks | six | 6 |

For Special Commissioners (vote for 2)

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|----|
| John M. Danforth of Lynnfield | thirty six | 36 |
| Wellington Donaldson of Topsfield | three | 3 |
| Henry Hobbs of Wenham | eleven | 11 |
| Daniel B. Lord of Salem | eleven | 11 |
| Jonathan H. Orne of Marblehead | three | 3 |
| Arion Sawyer of Amesbury | thirty six | 36 |
| Blanks | twenty two | 22 |

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For Commissioners of Insolvency (vote for 3)

| | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|----|
| Israel W. Andrews of Danvers | four | 4 |
| Barnard Brickett of Haverhill | three | 3 |
| Nathan M. Hawkes of Lynn | thirty three | 33 |
| Cyrus R. Lawrence of Lawrence | five | 5 |
| Benjamin K. Phillips of Lynn | eleven | 11 |
| Horace M. Sargent of Haverhill | thirty five | 35 |
| Charles A. Sayward of Ipswich | thirty four | 34 |
| George L. Weil of North Andover | eleven | 11 |
| Blank | forty seven | 47 |

For Senator, Fifth Essex District.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|----|
| George D. Hart of Lynn | thirteen | 13 |
| John W. Perkins of Lynnfield | three | 3 |
| B. Frank Southwick of Peabody | thirty six | 36 |
| Blank | nine | 9 |

For Representative in General Court
Seventh Essex District.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|------------|----|
| James P. Clearland of Boyford | thirty two | 32 |
| Stephen K. Fowler of Boyford | one | 1 |
| John Parkhurst of Boyford | twenty two | 22 |
| Blanks | six | 6 |

The ballots were sorted, counted, recorded
and declared in open Precinct meeting.
Then by a vote the meeting was dissolved.
A true copy of the record, attest.

James H. Webster
Clerk of Precinct No. 2
Boyford, Mass.

November 5th, 1889.

A true copy
Attest: J. A. Howe } Town
Clerk.

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Total vote of the two Precincts in the town of Bofford for the election of State, County and District officers, held on the 5th day of November 1889, The meeting of the legal voters of Precinct one being held in the Vestry of the first Church in said town 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

And the meeting of the legal voters in Precinct two being held in the Vestry of the second church in said town at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

For Governor.

| | |
|---------------------|----|
| John L. A. Brackett | 92 |
| William E. Russell | 47 |
| John Blackmer | 12 |

Lieutenant Governor.

| | |
|------------------------|----|
| Wm. H. Haile | 93 |
| John W. Corcoran | 41 |
| Benjamin F. Sturtevant | 12 |

For Secretary.

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|----------------------|----|
| Henry B. Peirce | 91 |
| William N. Osgood | 41 |
| George D. Brittenden | 12 |

For Treasurer and Receiver General.

| | |
|-------------------|----|
| Geo. A. Marden | 93 |
| Edwin L. Munn | 38 |
| Frederick L. Wing | 11 |

For Auditor.

| | |
|------------------|----|
| Charles R. Ladd | 88 |
| Wm. D. J. Trefry | 39 |
| Wm. H. Gleason | 10 |

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For Attorney General.

| | |
|--------------------|----|
| Andrew J. Waterman | 91 |
| Elisha B. Maynard | 37 |
| Allen Coffin | 10 |

For Concillor Dist. 5.

| | |
|-----------------|----|
| Augustus Mudge | 87 |
| John J. Carrier | 39 |
| Wm P. Alcott | 15 |

For District Attorney, Eastern District.

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|-------------------|----|
| Wm H. Moody | 85 |
| Henry F. Hurlbutt | 47 |
| Jacob T. Choate | 10 |

For Sheriff.

| | |
|-----------------|----|
| H. S. Herrick | 94 |
| James C. Parker | 37 |
| Wm B. Morgan | 10 |

For County Commissioner

| | |
|----------------------|----|
| David W. Lowe | 91 |
| Horace F. Longfellow | 38 |
| [Trask] Saml Frask | 10 |

For Special Commissioners.

| | |
|----------------------|----|
| John M. Danforth | 86 |
| Aron Sawyer | 86 |
| Henry Hobbs | 30 |
| Danl B. Lord | 33 |
| Wellington Donaldson | 08 |
| Jonathan H. Orne | 10 |

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| Commissioner of Insolvency | |
|----------------------------|----|
| Nathan M. Hawkes | 82 |
| Horace M. Sargent | 83 |
| Charles A. Sayward | 80 |
| Benjamin K. Phillips | 33 |
| Geo L. Weil | 36 |
| Israel W. Andrews | 11 |
| Barnard Brickett | 10 |
| Cyrus R. Lawrence | 11 |

For Senator, Dist 5.

| | |
|--------------------|----|
| B. Frank Southwick | 87 |
| Geo. D. Hart | 41 |
| John W. Perkins | 10 |

For Representative, Dist. 7.

| | |
|---------------------|----|
| James P. Cleaveland | 65 |
| John Parkhurst | 87 |
| Stephen K. Fowler | 03 |

Attest J. A. Howe } Town
Clerk.Boxford November 5th 1889.

By request of the legal voters of the Town of Boxford, the Selectmen of said town met at the Vestry of the First Church in said Boxford on Wednesday the 13th day of November 1889, in obedience to the petitions for a recount of the votes cast on November 5th 1889 for Senator 5th Essex District, and for County Commissioner. (Petitions on file)

The following report is made by the Selectmen to the Town Clerk, as the result of their meeting.

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Boxford, Mass. Nov. 13th 1889.

The undersigned, the Selectmen of Boxford, hereby certify that at a recount of ballots, cast Nov. 5th A.D. 1889. - for Senator 5th Essex District, - B. Frank Southwick of Peabody gained three votes in the second Precinct, that were not counted by the election officers, on account of irregular marking. Therefore making his total vote ninety instead of eighty seven, returned by election officers of said Town of Boxford.

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|-------------------------------|-----------|----|
| George D. Hart, of Lynn | forty one | 41 |
| John W. Perkins, of Lynnfield | ten | 10 |

For County Commissioner.

David W. Lowe of Gloucester, gained one vote making his total vote ninety two - 92

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|----|
| Horace F. Longfellow, of Newbury, | thirty eight | 38 |
| Samuel Trask of Peabody | ten | 10 |

After the recount of ballots they were sealed up and returned to the Town Clerk as the law directs

| | |
|------------------|-------------------------------|
| Geo. W. Chadwick | } Selectmen of Boxford, |
| John Parkhurst | |
| Henry Perley | |

A true copy attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

November 5th, 1889.

To the Town Clerks in Representative District number seven, in the County of Essex.

This Certificate Witnesseth, that at Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of Boyford in Representative District Number seven in the County of Essex, qualified to vote for Civil Officers, holden on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, being the fifth day of said month, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, for the purpose of giving in their votes for one Representative in the General Court, for said District, all the ballots given in therefor were sorted, counted and recorded, and declaration thereof made as by law is directed, and were for the following persons, namely:-

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|--|----|
| John Parkhurst of Boyford, eighty seven | 87 |
| James P. Cleaveland of Boyford, sixty five | 65 |
| Stephen K. Fowler of Boyford, three | 3 |
| Whole number of ballots, one hundred and fifty five. | |

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| George W. Chadwick | } Selectmen of Boyford. |
| John Parkhurst | |
| Henry Perley | |

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Pursuant to a law of the Commonwealth, the Town Clerks of the four towns, comprising the 7th Essex Representative District namely Boyford, Topsfield, Georgetown and Groveland, met at the Town Clerk's office of Georgetown on this 15th day of November 1889, to ascertain what person was chosen by the above ^{named} towns to represent them in the General Court the coming year, beginning January 1st 1890. and the Town Clerks assembled, make the following record.

| | |
|--|------------|
| John Parkhurst of Boyford, had in Georgetown, votes, | 158 |
| John Parkhurst " " had in Groveland, votes | 122 |
| John Parkhurst " " " " Topsfield, votes | 49 |
| John Parkhurst " " " " Boyford, votes | 87 |
| <u>Total</u> | <u>416</u> |

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|--|------------|
| James P. Cleaveland, of Boyford, had in Georgetown Votes | 137 |
| James P. Cleaveland, " " " " Groveland " | 115 |
| James P. Cleaveland " " " " Topsfield " | 57 |
| James P. Cleaveland " " " " Boyford | 65 |
| <u>Total</u> | <u>374</u> |

John Parkhurst's plurality is 42

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Stephen K. Fowler of Boyford, had in Georgetown votes | 6 |
| Stephen K. Fowler " " " " Groveland " | 10 |
| Stephen K. Fowler " " " " Topsfield | 12 |
| Stephen K. Fowler " " " " Boyford | 3 |
| <u>Total</u> | <u>31</u> |

Israel Spofford, of Boyford, had in Georgetown votes 1

John Parkhurst has a majority over all of the other Candidates of 10 votes

Attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk

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In accordance with the provisions of Chap. 395, Sect. 1, of the Public Statutes approved June 4th 1889.

The subscribers the Selectmen of the Town of Boxford hereby appoint Edward E. Pearl Esq., a suitable person in our judgment, to have charge of to cause to be properly interred the body of any honorably discharged soldier, sailor or marine who served in the army or navy of the United States during the late war who may hereafter die in said Town of Boxford, without leaving sufficient means to defray funeral expenses.

Geo. W. Chadwick } Selectmen
John Parkhurst } of
Henry Berley } Boxford.

Boxford October 21st, 1889.

Attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk

Boxford, Mass. November 18, 1889.

To the Clerk of the Town of Boxford,

You will take notice that I have this day filed in the Police Court of Lawrence, a final application for Naturalization.

My age is forty three years. My occupation is farmer, and my residence is in said Boxford, Mass.

Name, James A. Elliott.

Attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk.

This is to certify that I have on this 8th day of February 1890 destroyed the ballots that were cast in the two precincts of this Town at the State Election held on November 5th 1889

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At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford legally qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs Held in the Vestry of the first parish Church Monday the 3^d day of March 1890. The following record was made

Chose John Parkhurst } Moderator (Oath Administered
by B S Barnes Esq in open town Meeting)

Voted That Rev R R Kendall be invited to offer a prayer, and he came forward and united with the people in prayer

Chose F A Howe } Town Clerk
{ Oath administered by the Moderator
in open town meeting

Chose John Parkhurst } 1st Selectman
George W Chadwick } 2^d Selectman
George B Austin } 3^d Selectman

Voted That the Selectmen shall act as Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Chose Albert H Towne } Constables
Charles R Anderson }

Chose Edward E Pearl } Treasurer and
Collector

Voted to take up Article 3^d of the Warrant

Chose Miss Matilda B Linn } School Committee
for the term of three years

Resumed Article 2^d of the Warrant

Chose Chester Killam } Auditors
John H Vason }

Chose Israel Herrick }
Daniel Bixby } Field Drivers
Humphrey Parley Senr }
Charles R Anderson }
Walter J Chadwick }
Charles M. Moulton }

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Chose

| | | |
|------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Israel Herrick | } | Surveyors of Lumber |
| Solomon W Howe | | |
| George P Frame | | |
| Rufus W Emerson | | |
| John Parkhurst | | |
| William K Cole | | |
| J Horace Vason | | |
| John M Pearl | | |
| Charles A Andrew | | |
| Alden Spofford | | |

Chose

| | | |
|------------------|---|----------------------------------|
| John Parkhurst | } | Surveyors of Wood and Bark |
| Elbridge Perley | | |
| Israel Herrick | | |
| Samuel P Peabody | | |
| Solomon W Howe | | |
| J Horace Vason | | |
| William K Cole | | |
| John M Pearl | | |
| Warren M Cole | | |
| Edward E Pearl | | |

Chose

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| John Parkhurst | } | Fence Viewers |
| George W Chadwick | | |
| George B Austin | | |

Chose

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|----------------|---|---------------|
| Henry Moulton | } | Pound Keepers |
| Alden Spofford | | |

Chose

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| S F Ayers | } Sealer of Weights and Measures |
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Voted to take up
the 4th Article of the
Warrant

Voted to instruct the School Committee to
choose a Superintendent of Schools and that
the salary of the Superintendent shall be
one Hundred Dollars for the years service.

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Voted to take
up the 5th article
of the Warrant

Voted to accept the Report of the Committee on
School Funds

" " " 6th Voted to accept the Report of Road Commissioners as amended

" " " 7th Voted to accept the Report of the Auditors

" " " 20th Voted that the Money refunded on account of
the Dog Tax shall be divided equally for the use
of the two Public Libraries in town.

" " " 22^d Chose Henry Perley } Road Commissioner
for the term of three years.

" " " 19th Shall Licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town the year ensuing
At the beginning of the balloting, the register on the ballot box indicated 000 at the close of balloting the register indicated 26 and upon opening the ballot box it was found to contain 26 ballots 2 yes and 24 No. The check list that was used showed that 26 names had been checked

" " " 8th Voted that the Compensation of town officers for services rendered to the the town shall be the same as was paid last year. as follows.

The Treasurer and Collector shall receive One Hundred Dollars. The Superintendent of Schools shall receive One Hundred Dollars.

The Road Commissioners shall be paid two dollars a day while in actual service.

The pay for the men who are employed to work on the roads and for the teams and implements

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to be used thereon shall be paid for at the same rate as last year as follows: For a man fifteen cents an hour while in actual service and for a yoke of oxen twenty cents an hour, and for a Plow a Cart an & x Shovel five cents an hour for each one

And while Bathing Snow a man shall be allowed twenty cents an hour and for a yoke of oxen twenty cents an hour and for a pair of Horses thirty cents an hour And it is further moved that in repairing the Highways a single Horse shall be allowed twenty cents an hour and for a pair of Horses thirty cents an hour shall be allowed.

That all other bills shall be allowed by the Selectmen except their own bills for services rendered to the town these must be brought before the town to be allowed

Voted to take up
the 28th Article of
the Warrant

Voted that the report of the Committee on our fisheries be accepted.

" " " 11th Voted to raise Twelve Hundred Dollars for the repairs and amendments of the Highways and Bridges the ensuing year

" " " 9th Voted that the same amount be raised for the support of Schools as was raised last year and that the money be expended in the same manner as follows. Voted to raise Fourteen Hundred Dollars for the support of Schools, and that Two Hundred Dollars of this money shall be expended for Musical Instruction in the Schools

(See Record 3^d page from here $\frac{2}{3}$ additional amount)

Voted To raise Two Thousand Dollars to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the Town the year ensuing.

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Voted To pass over the 12th article of the Warrant

Voted That the Road Commissioners shall make the roads passable when encumbered with snow

Voted That the action in regard to the taxes shall be the same as last year, as follows

Voted That the taxes shall be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of September next, and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of October and afterward two per cent on all taxes paid before the first day of November. And that all taxes shall be collected before the first day of January 1891.

Voted That the action in regard to supplying the Schools with fuel shall be the same as last year, as follows. Voted, That the fuel to be used in the Schools shall be supplied from the Town Farm, and shall be paid for from the Treasury of the town

Voted That the following list of names of persons presented by the Selectmen for Jurors be accepted as follows.

| | |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| George B Austin | Alvin F Marden |
| James C Whitney | James P Cleveland |
| William H. Andersson | Peter Strout |
| Stephen K Fouter | John W Parkhurst |
| David M. Cole | John T Twisden |
| Charles A Andrew | Daniel W Conant |
| William K Cole | Hiram N Towne |

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Voted That the same action be taken as last year in regard to the Treasurer hiring money in anticipation of taxes, as follows.

Voted To authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, To hire such amounts of money as may be needed from time to time to pay demands against the town that may be made upon him, In anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year and payable therefrom

Voted To raise Five Hundred Dollars to be used in reducing the town debt.

Voted That the town maintain a watering place at School House Number Six

Voted That Twenty Dollars be expended for repairs on Bald Hill road, leading to the residence of Captain Eben L Hooper

Voted That the rebinding of the early records, and copying of certain records, belonging to the town shall be left with the Selectmen and Town Clerk to act upon as they may think best. And the Selectmen shall provide a suitable vault of sufficient size to hold the present records and whatever others that may accumulate hereafter, and there shall be built in connection with this vault a building of sufficient size to accommodate the Selectmen and other town officers in holding their meetings, and for such other purposes as may be thought best. The Selectmen shall decide upon the location of the Vault and the building connected therewith. The money to defray the expense shall be drawn from the Treasury of the town as may be needed to pay for the construction of

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the Vault and the building. The Selectmen shall take from the Town Farm as much timber as may be needed and used in the construction of said building

Voted To abate a tax of \$11.01 set to Widow Hannah Spofford in list of 1888 also another tax set to said Widow Hannah Spofford of \$11.13 in list of 1889. Also a tax of \$4.07 set to Dexter Kenney in list of 1889

Voted Not to abate the tax set to William M. Andrews in the list of 1889

Voted To take up the 9th Article of the Warrant

Voted to raise One Hundred Dollars in addition to what has already been voted for the support of Schools the ensuing year

Voted To pass over article 26 of the Warrant

Voted To allow the following bills of charge
John Parkhurst for services as one of the
Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor
the past year \$75.86

Henry Perley for services as Selectman Assessor
and Overseer of the Poor from March 4th 1889
to March 3^d 1890 \$30.00

Charles A. Andrew for labor of two men and
pair of Horses 16 hours grading corner of roads
near the House of J. W. Andrew \$9.60

George W. Chadwick for services preparing a
Duplicate Copy of the valuation list for the Town
of Boyford 1889 For the use of the Secretary of
the Commonwealth \$10.00

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George W Chadwick for cash paid Charles M. Moulton
for services on the Highway, and for his own
services and his Horse & Cart \$1.70

George W Chadwick for services as Chairman
of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the
Poor \$114.00

| | | | |
|-----------|--------------|--------------------|----------|
| Cash Paid | for printing | Assessors | 1.25 |
| " | " | Collector Tax Book | 1.00 |
| " | " | Car Fare | 1.50 |
| " | " | Justice Fees | 1.00 |
| " | " | Stationery | 1.40 |
| " | " | Postage | .67 |
| " | " | Express | 15 |
| " | " | Seals | 10 |
| | | | \$121.07 |

Voted

That the action in regard to the report to be
made by the Auditors shall be the same as
last year, as follows, Voted, That the Auditors
be requested to make out their report of all
matters of interest to the town, and cause
the report to be printed so that copies of
it may be distributed one week before the next
annual town meeting is held, also that the
Warrant calling the next annual town
meeting shall be printed in this report
And the Selectmen shall close all accounts on
or before February first 1891. and have their
Books ready at that time for the Auditors to
examine. And it is further moved that
the School Committee be requested to make
out their report so that it may be inserted
in the Auditors report

Voted

That the Selectmen shall cause the Arms House to be
painted, and shall have such other repairs made
on the House as they may think best

Voted

To dissolve this meeting Attest F. A. How Town Clerk

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At a legal Meeting of legal voters of the Town of Bofford legally qualified to vote in town affairs and at elections Held in the Vestry of the First Parish in said town of Bofford on Monday April 21st 1890. The following record was made

Chose Francis J. Stevens } Moderator

Voted To accept the offer made by James A Elliott in open town meeting that he will give to this town a quantity of land from his field near by the First Church, of sufficient size and dimension to build the Selectmens Office and Town Vault upon, also land enough besides this for a passageway around the building and Vault free and clear of any hindrance whatever. This present shall be accepted from James A Elliott unless the Selectmen decide to locate the Building and Vault on some other ground.

Voted That the Building shall be 30 feet long and 18 feet wide and the posts shall be 8 feet high. And that all other matters pertaining to the construction of this Building and the Vault shall be left discretionary with the Selectmen, and that they may exchange timber from the Town Farm for the lumber needed in construction

Voted to take up the 4th Article Voted to indefinitely postpone this Article of the Warrant

Voted to take up Article 3

Voted to change the Precinct Line of this town so that Charles A Stetson shall be in Precinct one instead of Precinct two, substituting the word northerly of the house of Charles A Stetson in describing the Precinct Line instead of southerly. The vote being unanimous 26 votes

Voted to dissolve this meeting

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

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Daniel L Adams of Bofford has this day made application to the Police Court of Lawrence for final papers of Naturalization. Residence Bofford, Age 35. occupation Farmer, Place of Birth Lueber

H F Hopkins } Clerk

Bofford August 14th 1890

A true copy, attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the legal voters of the town of Bofford, legally qualified to vote at elections and in town affairs, Held at the Vestry in the First Parish of said Bofford on the Second day of September 1890 the following record was made

Chose George W Chadwick } Moderator

Voted That the town build a Town Hall

Voted That the town accept from Augustus E Bachelder the land which he has agreed to deed to the town if they will build the Town Hall upon this land, said land being the corner lot known as the Academy lot situated in the First Parish near the 1st Congregational Church, And also that the town accept of the money that has been subscribed by different individuals to be expended in aiding to build this Town Hall

Voted To raise One Thousand Dollars to be appropriated and expended in building the Town Hall. in addition to the

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amount received from the subscribers who have given to the town their different sums of money to aid in building this Town Hall, also that the sum of money raised by the town and expended by them as a town for this purpose shall not exceed One Thousand Dollars

Voted That the Selectmen shall be a Committee to build the Town Hall on the land deeded to the town for this purpose by Mr. Bachelder, and also that one Committee additional be chosen from each Parish

Chose Augustus E Bachelder } Additional
Edward E Pearl } Committee

Voted That the Treasurer be authorized to hire One Thousand Dollars to carry out the provisions of the vote to build a Town Hall, if it be necessary for him to do so

Voted To dissolve this meeting
Attest J A Howe } Town Clerk

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At a legal meeting of the legal voters of the town of Boxford, legally qualified to vote at elections and in town affairs.

Held in the Vestry in the first Parish of said town on the 17th day of September 1890 the following record was made

Chose George W. Chadwick } Moderator

Voted To rescind that part of the vote passed April 21st 1890 whereby the town voted to build a Vault and building connected therewith for office purposes &c

Voted To lay the 3^d article of the Warrant on the table

Voted To take up the 4th article of the Warrant

Voted That the town shall build a Town Hall And they accept from Augustus E. Bachelder the land which he has agreed to deed to the town if they will build the Town Hall upon this land, said land being the corner lot known as the Academy lot, situated in the First Parish of said Boxford near the first congregational Church. And also that the town accept of the money that has been subscribed by different individuals to be expended in aiding to build this Town Hall.

Voted To take up the 5th article of the Warrant

Voted To raise One Thousand Dollars To be added to the sum received from the several subscribers, to be appropriated and expended in building this Town Hall.

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- Voted That the Treasurer be authorized to hire one Thousand Dollars to carry out the provisions of the vote to build the Town Hall, if it be necessary for him to do so
- Voted That the building committee shall furnish this Town Hall at its completion with appropriate furnishings for occupancy
- Voted That the Selectmen shall be a building Committee to build the Town Hall on the land deeded to the town for this purpose by Mr. Bachelder, and also that one additional Committee be chosen from each Parish
- Chose F A Howe } Additional
Edward C. Pearl } Committee
- Voted To take up the 3^d Article of the Warrant.
- Voted To rescind all votes that were passed at the meeting held September 2^d 1890 in relation to the building of a Town Hall
- Voted That this Meeting be dissolved,
Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

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Precinct Officers

Precinct 1

John Parkhurst } Election Wardens
 Stephen A Bixby }

S Frank Ayers } Inspectors of Election
 Fred E Gillis }

Samuel A Frye } Deputy Inspector
 Daniel W Conant } of Elections

Francis J Sterens } Clerk

Precinct 2.

George W Chadwick } Election Wardens
 William K Cole }

Warren M Cole } Inspectors of Elections
 Morris L Cole }

George B Austin } Deputy Inspectors
 Walter S Chadwick } of Elections

James H Webster } Clerk

Appointed October 11th 1890 for the year ensuing

Geo W Chadwick } Selectmen
 John Parkhurst } of
 Geo B Austin } Boxford

A true copy attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

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To the Town Clerk of Bofford.

At a legal meeting of the voters of the first precinct of said town held Nov 4th 1890 the vote was as follows.

Whole number of votes seventy eight (78)

For Governor

John D. A. Brackett of Arlington forty five (45)
 William E. Russell of Cambridge twenty five (25)
 John Blackmer of Springfield five (5)
 Blanks three (3)

For Lieutenant Governor

William H. Haile of Springfield forty eight (48)
 John W. Corcoran of Clinton twenty five (25)
 George Kenpton of Sharon five (5)
 Blanks two (2)

For Secretary

William M. Clin of Boston forty six (46)
 Elbridge Cushman of Lakerille twenty one (21)
 George L. Writenden of Buckland five (5)
 Blanks (6)

For Treasurer and receiver general

George A. Marden of Lowell Forty five (45)
 Edwin L. Munro of Holyoke twenty one (21)
 William H. Gleason of Boston six (6)
 Blanks (6)

For Auditor

Charles R. Ladd of Springfield thirty seven (37)
 William L. J. Trefry of Marblehead twenty one (21)
 Augustus R. Smith of Lee five (5)
 Blanks (15)

For Attorney General

Albert E. Pillsbury of Boston forty six (46)
 Elisha B. Maynard of Springfield twenty (20)
 Wallcott Hamlin of Amherst five (5)
 Blanks (7)

For Representatives to congress Seventh district

William Cogswell of Salem forty five (45)

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Jonas H French of Gloucester twenty five (25)
 Jacob F Spalding of Salisbury three (3)
 Blanks (5)

For Councillor Fifth district

Moses How of Haverhill forty five (45)
 Joseph F Appleton of Salem twenty one (21)
 Sidney Perley of Salem six (6)
 Blanks (6)

For County Commissioner.

John W. Raymond of Beverly forty four (44)
 Horace F Longfellow of Newbury twenty four (24)
 Samuel C Pease of Merrimac five (5)
 Blanks (5)

For Senator fifth district

B. Frank Southwick of Peabody forty eight (48)
 John H Sutton of North Andover seventeen (17)
 J. Winslow Perkins of Lynnfield six (6)
 Blanks (7)

For Representative in General Court seventh
 Essex district.

Charles W Nelson of Georgetown thirty nine (39)
 Samuel N Curtis of Georgetown thirty two (32)
 Blanks seven (7)

Amendment to the constitution to prevent the
 disfranchisement of voters because a change of
 residence within the commonwealth

Yes twenty seven (27)
 No twelve (12)

Blanks thirty nine (39)

Amendment to the constitution relative to sol-
 diers and sailors exercising the right of franchise

Yes thirty (30)
 No five (5)

Blanks (43)

The polls were opened and the warrant read by
 John Parkhurst Warden, at quarter past ten o'clock
 in the forenoon and closed at quarter past two in
 the afternoon.

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| | |
|--|----------|
| The Register indicated at opening | 000 |
| At close of the polls the register indicated | (78) |
| The check list indicated seventy eight | (78) |
| Whole number of votes | " " (78) |

attest

Francis J. Stevens

Clerk 1st precinct

A true copy attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk

Bosford Mass Nov 4th 1890

To the Town Clerk of Bosford Mr F. A. Howe

This may certify that pursuant to a Warrant calling the inhabitants of Bosford in Precinct two (2) qualified to vote as the law directs assembled at the time and place and for the purpose thereon expressed.

At ten O'clock and fifteen minutes (10-15) the warrant calling the meeting was read by the warden who then publicly opened the ballot box and the same having been personally examined by the election officers and the public was found to be empty. The ballot Box was immediately locked the register indicating 000; and the key of the box was taken and retained by Charles R. Anderson the Constable in attendance. The Warden then called upon the inhabitants of said precinct qualified by law to vote to give in their ballots for the purpose expressed in said warrant. The ballot box remained locked while the polls were open. At two O'clock and twenty minutes (2-20 O'clock) the polls were closed. The ballot box was found to register sixty one (61).

The officer in charge of the check list in the presence of the officers and the public counted in distinct and audible voice the names checked on said list announced the whole number to be sixty one (61) The ballot box without being removed from the public view was then opened by the Warden the Ballots were taken therefrom and audibly counted one by one, and the warden publicly announced

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the whole number to be sixty one (61)

The precinct Officers then proceeded to count the number of votes received by each person voted for with the following result

Total number of votes for Governor

Sixty one (61)

John Blackmer of Springfield Prohibition

Three 3

John L. A. Brackett of Arlington Republican

Thirty eight 38

William E. Russell of Cambridge Democratic

Twenty 20

Blanks.

Total number of votes for Lieutenant Governor

Sixty one 61

John W. Concoran of Clinton Democratic

Twenty 20

William H. Haile of Springfield Republican

Thirty eight 38

George Kenpton of Sharon Prohibition

Two 2

Blanks 1

Total number of votes for Secretary

Sixty one 61

George D. Crittenden of Buckland Prohibition

Three 3

Elbridge Cushman of Lakesville Democratic

nineteen 19

William M. Clin of Boston Republican

Thirty nine 39

Blanks

Total number of votes for treasurer and Receiver General

Sixty one 61

William H. Gleason of Boston Prohibition

Three 3

George A. Marden of Lowell Republican

Thirty seven 37

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Edwin L Munn of Holyoke Democratic

Twenty one 21

Blanks

Total numbers of votes for Auditor

Sixty one 61 Non paper

Charles R Ladd of Springfield Republican voters

Thirty three 33

Augustus R Smith of Lee Prohibition

Three 3

William D. T. Trefry of Marblehead Democratic

Nineteen 19

Blanks Six 6

Total number of votes for Attorney General

Sixty one 61

Walcott Hamlin of Amherst Prohibition

Three 3

Elisha B. Maynard of Springfield Democratic

Twenty 20

Albert E. Pillsbury of Boston Republican

Thirty Seven 37

Blanks 1

7th Dist Total number of votes for Representative
in Congress

Sixty one 61

William Cogswell of Salem Republican

Thirty six 36

Jonas H. French of Gloucester Democratic

Twenty one 21

Jacob F. Spalding of Salisbury Prohibition

Two 2

Blanks 2

Fifth Dist Total number of votes for Councillor

Sixty one 61

Joseph F. Appleton of Salem Democratic

Twenty one 21

Moses How of Haverhill Republican

Thirty six 36

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Sidney Perley of Salem Prohibition

Four 4

Blanks

Total number of votes for County Commissioner

Sixty one 61

Horace F. Longfellow of Newbury Democratic

Twenty two 22

Samuel C. Pease of Merrimac Prohibition

one 1

John W. Raymond of Beverly Republican

Thirty six 36

Blanks two 2

Total number of votes for Senator Fifth
Essex Dist

Sixty one 61

J. Winslow Perkins of Lynnfield Prohibition

Two 2

B. F. Southwick of Peabody Republican

Thirty eight 38

John H. Sutton of North Andover Democratic

Twenty one (21)

Blanks

Total number of votes for Representative
in General Court

Sixty one 61

Samuel N. Curtis of Georgetown Democratic

Twenty five 25

Charles W. Nelson of Georgetown Republican

Thirty six 36

Blanks

Amendment to the Constitution to prevent
the disfranchisement of votes because of a
change of residence within the Commonwealth

nineteen Yes 19

Eleven No 11

Blanks Thirty one 31

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Amendment to the Constitution relative to
Soldiers and Sailors exercising the right of
Franchise

| | |
|--------------------|----|
| nineteen Yes | 19 |
| Eleven No | 11 |
| Blanks Thirty Five | 35 |

This may certify that this is true statement
of the votes given this day in Precinct 2 Boyford
Nov 4th 1890

a true copy

attest James H Webster
Clerk of Precinct
2 Boyford

A true copy attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

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The following record is the total vote of the two Precincts of the town of Botford cast for State County and District Officers at the Election held November 4th 1890

The meeting for Precinct 1 being held at the Vestry in the 1st Parish and the meeting for Precinct 2 being held at the Vestry in the 2^d Parish

Governor

| | |
|--------------------------------|----|
| John Blackmer of Springfield | 8 |
| John D A Brackett of Arlington | 83 |
| William E Russell of Cambridge | 45 |
| Blanks | 3 |

Lieutenant Governor

| | |
|--------------------------------|----|
| John W Corcoran of Clinton | 45 |
| William H Haile of Springfield | 86 |
| George Kempton of Sharon | 7 |
| Blanks | 3 |

Secretary

| | |
|----------------------------------|----|
| George D. Crittenden of Buckland | 8 |
| Elbridge Cushman of Lakerille | 40 |
| William M. Clin of Boston | 85 |
| Blanks | 6 |

Treasurer and Receiver General

| | |
|-----------------------------|----|
| William H Gleason of Boston | 9 |
| George A. Marden of Lowell | 82 |
| Edwin L. Munn of Holyoke | 42 |
| Blanks | 6 |

Auditor

| | |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Charles R Ladd of Springfield | 70 |
| Augustus R Smith of Lee | 8 |
| William D T Trefry of Marblehead | 40 |
| Blanks | 21 |

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Attorney General

| | |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Walcott Hamlin of Amherst | 8 |
| Elisha B. Maynard of Springfield | 40 |
| Albert E Pillsbury of Boston | 83 |
| Blanks | 8 |

Representative to Congress 7th District

| | |
|-------------------------------|----|
| William Cogswell of Salem | 81 |
| Jonas H. French of Gloucester | 46 |
| Jacob F Spalding of Salisbury | 5 |
| Blanks | 7 |

Councillor 5th District

| | |
|----------------------------|----|
| Joseph F Appleton of Salem | 42 |
| Moses How of Haverhill | 81 |
| Sidney Perley of Salem | 10 |
| Blanks | 6 |

County Commissioner

| | |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Horace F Longfellow of Newbury | 46 |
| Samuel C Pease of Merrimac | 6 |
| John W Raymond of Beverly | 80 |
| Blanks | 7 |

Senator 5th Essex District

| | |
|--------------------------------|----|
| J Winslow Perkins of Lynnfield | 8 |
| B Frank Southwick of Peabody | 86 |
| John H Sutton of North Andover | 38 |
| Blanks | 7 |

*Representative in General Court**7th Essex District*

| | |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Samuel N Curtis of Georgetown | 57 |
| Charles W Nelson of Georgetown | 75 |
| Blanks | 7 |

Amendment to the Constitution to prevent the disfranchisement of voters because of a change of

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residence within the Commonwealth
(Yes 46) (No 23) (Blanks 70)

Amendment to the Constitution, in relation to soldiers
and sailors exercising the right of franchise
(Yes 49) (No 16) (Blanks 78)
Attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Nov fourth 1890

To the town Clerks in Representative District
Number Seventh in the county of Essex

This Certificate Witnesseth, that at legal meet-
ings of the Inhabitants of Bofford in Represen-
tative District Number Seven in the county
of Essex qualified to vote for State Officers,
holden on the Tuesday next after the first
Monday in November being the fourth day of
said month, in the year one thousand eight
hundred and ninety, for the purpose of
giving in their votes for a Representative in
the General Court, for said District, all the
ballots given in therefor were sorted, counted
and recorded, and declaration thereof made,
as by law is directed, and were for the following
persons namely:

| | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Charles W. Nelson of Georgetown | Seventy five |
| Samuel N. Curtis of Georgetown | Fifty Seven |
| Blanks | Seven |

Whole number of Ballots One hundred and thirty
nine

Geo W Chadwick } Selectmen
John Parkhurst } & Wardens of
Bofford

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In accordance with Law the Town Clerks of Groveland, Georgetown Bofford and Topsfield met at the Town Clerks Office in Georgetown on Friday November 14th 1890. to canvass the votes that were cast in these towns on November 4th 1890 for a Representative to General Court from the 7th Essex District. and the following is the result

Samuel N Curtis of Georgetown

| | | |
|------------------|-------|------------|
| Had in Topsfield | votes | 52 |
| " " Bofford | " | 57 |
| " " Groveland | " | 171 |
| " " Georgetown | " | <u>219</u> |
| | | 499 |

Charles W Nelson of Georgetown

| | | |
|------------------|-------|------------|
| Had in Topsfield | votes | 59 |
| " " Bofford | " | 75 |
| " " Groveland | " | 136 |
| " " Georgetown | " | <u>189</u> |
| | | 459 |

Samuel N Curtis, Plurality is 40

Horace Ray of Topsfield

Had in Topsfield votes 7

John Munroe of Georgetown

Had in Georgetown votes 1

Samuel N Curtis has a majority over all of 32

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

This may certify that I have on this 28th day of February 1891. destroyed the Ballots that were cast in the two precincts for state and District officers &c on November 4th 1890

F A Howe } Town Clerk

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At a legal meeting of the legal voters of Bofford held in the Vestry of the second Parish of said town of Bofford on Monday March 2^d 1891. it being the annual town meeting of the Inhabitants legally qualified to vote at elections and in town affairs, The following record was made

Chose William K Cole } Moderator Oath administered by Edward E. Pearl Esq. in open town meeting

Chose F A Howe } Town Clerk Oath administered by the Moderator in open town meeting

Voted That the Rev C L Hubbard be invited to offer a prayer and he came forward and united with the people in prayer

Chose George W Chadwick } 1st Selectman
John Parkhurst } 2^d " " " "
Rufus W Emerson } 3^d " " " "

Voted That the election of Assessors and Overseers of the Poor be indefinitely postponed, thereby constituting the Selectmen a board of Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Chose Albert H Towne }
Charles R Anderson } Constables

Chose Edward E Pearl } Treasurer & Collector
Voted to take up Article 3

Chose Edward E Pearl } School Committee
" " Francis J Stevens } for term of 2 years
" " } School Committee
" " } for term of 3 years

Voted to take up Article 2 Chose Chester Killam }
John H Nason } Auditors

Voted to take up Article 6 Voted to accept the Report of the Auditors

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Voted.

To adjourn the meeting the space of one half
hours time. after which the meeting assembled
and proceeded to business

Voted to take
up Article 22

Voted that the Assessors shall Take a valuation
of the Real Estate in town the ensuing year

Voted to take
up Article 2

Chose Deacon Joseph H James
William M Andrews
Henry Moulton
Charles B Carleton
Charles Perley
James H Webster

Field
Drivers

Chose

Israel Herrick
John Parkhurst
George P Frame
Solomon W Howe
Rufus W Emerson
J Horace Nason
Warren M Cole
John Myron Pearl
Isaac E Day
John T Wood

Surveyors
of
Lumber

Chose

L B Tidd
Israel Herrick
George P Frame
Solomon W Howe
Alvin F Marden
John T Wood
J Horace Nason
George A Harriman
Warren M Cole
John M Pearl

Surveyors
of Wood
and
Bark

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Voted That the Selectmen shall act as Fence Viewers the ensuing year

Chose Henry Moulton }
George A. Harriman } Pound Keeper

Voted That the Selectmen shall appoint a Sealer of Weights and Measures

Voted to take up Article 4 Voted to instruct the School Committee to choose a Superintendent of Schools

Voted to take up Article 5 Voted to accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds.

Voted to take up Article 7 Voted that the Compensation of town officers for services rendered to the Town shall be the same as was paid last year, as follows.

The Treasurer and Collector shall receive one Hundred Dollars. The Superintendent of Schools shall receive One Hundred Dollars.

The Road Commissioners shall be paid two dollars a day while in actual service.

The pay for the men whom they employ to work on the roads, and for the teams and implements to be used thereon, shall be paid for at the same rate as was paid last year, as follows.

For a man fifteen cents an hour while in actual service, and for a yoke of oxen twenty cents an hour, and for a Plow a Cart, an Ax Shovel five cents an hour for each one. And while Pathing Snow a man shall be allowed twenty cents an hour, and for a yoke of oxen twenty cents an hour and for a pair of Horses thirty cents an hour.

And it is further moved that in repairing the Highways there shall be allowed for a

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Single Horse twenty cents an hour, and for a pair of Horses thirty cents an hour shall be allowed.

That all other bills shall be allowed by the Selectmen, except their own bills for services rendered to the town these bills must be brought before the town to be allowed. And it is further moved that the Road Commissioners shall at the close or end of each months work hand in to the Selectmen a detailed account of all the work done on the roads during the month, how many men were employed, the amount paid to each man, also the amount of money paid for repairs on Road Machine, and all other matters needed in a detailed account.

And the Road Commissioners shall not expend more money than the town has appropriated for them, until they consult the Selectmen and get their permission to do so

^{8th}
Voted To raise Fifteen Hundred Dollars for the Support of Schools the ensuing year same amount as last year and to be expended in the same manner, namely Two Hundred Dollars of this money shall be expended for musical instruction in the schools

^{9th}
Voted To raise Three Thousand Dollars to defray the expenses of the town the ensuing year

^{10th}
Voted To raise One Thousand Dollars to be expended in repairs upon the Highways and Bridges the ensuing year

^{11th}
Voted To pass over Article eleven of the Warrant

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12th
Voted

That the taxes shall be committed to the Collector same as last year, as follows.

Voted That the taxes shall be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of September next and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of October, and afterward two per cent on all taxes paid before the first day of November, and that all taxes shall be collected before the first day of January 1892

13th
Voted

That the fuel to be used in the Schools the ensuing year shall be taken from the town farm and shall be paid for from the money raised for the support of Schools the ensuing year

14th
Voted

To accept the following list of names of persons as being suitable for jurors

| | |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| Charles F Austin | James P Cleaveland |
| William H Anderson | Daniel W Conant |
| David M Cole | Hiram N Towne |
| George W Chadwick | John W Parkhurst |
| Charles Perley | John T Twisden |
| Edward E Pearl | Alvin F Marden |
| John T Wood | Fred E Gillie |

15th
Voted

That the action of the town in allowing the Treasurer to hire money for the town be the same as last year, as follows. Voted to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire such amounts of money as may be needed from time to time to pay demands against the town that may be made upon him. In anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year and payable therefrom

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- ^{16th}
Voted To lay Article Sixteen of the Warrant on the table
- ^{17th}
Voted To lay Article seventeen of the Warrant on the table
- ^{18th}
Voted That the money that is refunded to the town on account of Dog Tax, shall be divided equally with and for the two libraries in town
- ^{19th}
Voted To pass over the nineteenth article of the Warrant
- ^{20th}
Chose J Warren Chadwick } Road Commissioner for the
term of three years
- ^{21st}
Voted To expend Twenty Dollars in repairing Bald Hill road
- ^{23d}
Voted To allow the following bills of charge.
- | | |
|---|--------------|
| George W Chadwick services as one of the Selectmen Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year and perambulating town lines | 110.00 |
| To Cash paid for car fare | 4.84 |
| " " " " " " | 1.15 |
| " " " Postage | 1.06 |
| " " " Justice fees | 1.00 |
| " " " Express | 45 |
| Conveyance of Stephen W Bailey to Hospital | 1.50 |
| | <hr/> 120.00 |
| George B Austin services as one of the Selectmen Assessor and Overseer of the Poor | 30.00 |
| Perambulating town lines | <hr/> 5.00 |
| | 35.00 |
| John Parkhurst services as one of the Selectmen Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year | 78.65 |

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Geo A Harriman, Extra labor and
Material on Highway

145.13

Thomas Hill for boarding Thomas Clemment
from March 22^d 1890 to April 23^d 1890 \$6.00

Voted That Geo A Harriman's Bill for pathing
snow amounting to \$7.50 be referred to the
incoming board of Selectmen

Voted to take
up Article 2

Voted to choose two additional Assessors
to assist in taking the valuation of Real Estate
in town the year ensuing.
(and immediately reconsidered the vote)

Voted to take
up Article 5

Voted to accept the statement verbally made
by The Road Commissioners that the Guide
Posts & Boards in town are in the same
condition as they were in last year, as their
report for the year 1890

Voted to take
up Article 17

Shall licenses be granted for the sale of
intoxicating liquors in this town the ensuing
year. The Ballot Box was examined and found
to be empty it was then locked and the register
was set at 000 after all the people had
voted who wished to. The Register indicated
55, upon opening the Ballot Box it was found
to contain but 54 Ballots as follows

(Yes 24) No 30

Voted to take
up Article 24

Voted that the Town Clerk shall procure a book
in which he shall enter all matters of interest
relating to any and all of the noted trees
in town, giving a history

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of each one as he may be able to get information concerning them, also that a record be made concerning all the ornamental trees that may be set out by Societies & Schools, or Individuals in the Highways, or any trees in the Highway that may be secured and held as ornamental trees

Voted That the Assessors shall when they have finished taking the valuation of the Real Estate in town, cause their work to be printed in book form and distributed

Voted To dissolve this meeting

Attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk

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Precinct Officers

Precinct one

John Parkhurst } Wardens
 Rufus W Emerson }

Stephen A Bixby } Inspectors of
 Fred E Gillis } Elections

Daniel W Conant } Deputy Inspectors
 Samuel A Frye } of Elections

Francis J Stevens } Precinct Clerk

Precinct 2

George W Chadwick } Wardens
 William K Cole }

Warren M Cole } Inspectors
 Edward E Pearl } of Elections

George B Austin } Deputy Inspector
 Walter S Chadwick } of Elections

James H Webster } Precinct Clerk

Boxford October 21st 1891

George W Chadwick } Selectmen
 John Parkhurst } Boxford

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

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To the Town Clerk of the Town of Boxford,

Agreeably to the enclosed warrant the voters of the 1st precinct of Boxford were called to order at the time specified in the warrant, and at the close the vote was declared as follows.

Whole numbers of votes 86

For Governor

| | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|----|
| Charles H. Allen of Lowell | fifty one | 51 |
| Charles E. Kimball of Lynn | six | 6 |
| Harry W. Robinson of Boston | none | 0 |
| William E. Russell of Cambridge | twenty seven | 27 |
| Henry Winn of Malden | none | 0 |
| Blanks | two | 2 |

For Lieutenant Governor

| | | |
|------------------------------|--------------|----|
| John W. Corcoran of Clinton | twenty seven | 27 |
| Wm H. Haile of Springfield | fifty | 50 |
| George R. Pease of Lynn | none | 0 |
| William J. Shields of Boston | none | 0 |
| Augustus R. Smith of Lee | eight | 8 |
| Blank | one | 1 |

Secretary of the Commonwealth

| | | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|----|
| Joseph D. Cable of Westfield | none | 0 |
| Elbridge Cushman of Laverille | twenty four | 24 |
| William M. Allen of Boston | fifty one | 51 |
| Alfred W. Richardson of Springfield | seven | 7 |
| Edward W. Theinert of Holyoke | none | 0 |
| Blanks | four | 4 |

Treasurer and receiver general

| | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|----|
| Charles Friede of Boston | none | 0 |
| James S. Grinnell of Greenfield | twenty four | 24 |
| George A. Marden of Lowell | fifty two | 52 |
| Samuel B. Shapleigh of Boston | seven | 7 |
| Thomas A. Watson of Braintree | none | 0 |
| Blanks | three | 3 |

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Auditor.

| | | | |
|----------------------|---------------|--------------|----|
| William C. Armstrong | of Boston | six | 6 |
| John W. Kimball | of Fitchburg | fifty | 50 |
| Squire E. Putney | of Somerville | none | 0 |
| William D. J. Trefry | of Marblehead | twenty three | 23 |
| William C. Wakefield | of Lynn | none | 0 |
| Blanks | | seven | 7 |

Attorney General.

| | | | |
|---------------------|--------------|--------------|----|
| Walcott Hamlin | of Amherst | seven | 7 |
| Herbert McIntosh | of Worcester | none | 0 |
| Albert E. Pillsbury | of Boston | fifty | 50 |
| George M. Stearns | of Chicopee | twenty three | 23 |
| James Waldock | of Boston | none | 0 |
| Blanks | | six | 6 |

Councillor-fifth district.

| | | | |
|----------------------|--------------|------------|----|
| George W. Blatchford | of Rockport | twenty two | 22 |
| Moses How | of Haverhill | fifty | 50 |
| Samuel Trask | of Peabody | seven | 7 |
| Blanks | | seven | 7 |

Clerk of the Courts. Essex

| | | | |
|------------------|----------|-------------|----|
| David B. Kimball | of Salem | twenty four | 24 |
| Dean Peabody | of Lynn | fifty | 50 |
| Sidney Perley | of Salem | five | 5 |
| Blanks | | seven | 7 |

County Commissioner. Essex

| | | | |
|------------------|--------------|-------------|----|
| Edward B. Bishop | of Haverhill | forty eight | 48 |
| William S. Lord | of Salem | twenty one | 21 |
| Samuel C. Pease | of Merrimac | six | 6 |
| Blanks | | eleven | 11 |

County Treasurer. Essex

| | | | |
|--------------------|------------|------------|----|
| Joseph S. Howe | of Methuen | twenty one | 21 |
| E. Kendall Jenkins | of Andover | fifty one | 51 |
| Sebino Snow | of Lynn | six | 6 |
| Blanks | | eight | 8 |

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Register of deeds, - Southern Essex district.

| | | | |
|-------------------|-------------|------------|----|
| Joseph T. Choate | of Amesbury | eight | 8 |
| Charles S. Osgood | of Salem | fifty nine | 59 |
| Blanks | | nineteen | 19 |

Senator fifth Essex district.

| | | | |
|--------------------|------------|-----------|----|
| Daniel N. Crowley | of Danvers | twelve | 12 |
| Andrew H. Paton | of Danvers | two | 2 |
| B. Frank Southwick | of Peabody | fifty two | 52 |
| Abner D. Gorham | of Wenham | one | 1 |
| Blanks | | nineteen | 19 |

Representative in General Court, 7th Essex Dist

| | | | |
|-----------------|--------------|---------|----|
| Edwin H. George | of Groveland | fifty | 50 |
| Edgar A. Knox | of Groveland | twenty | 20 |
| Allen Hardy | of Groveland | one | 1 |
| Blanks | | fifteen | 15 |

First proposed Amendment to the Constitution relating to suffrage.

| | | |
|--------|--------------|----|
| Yes | fifteen | 15 |
| No | forty three | 43 |
| Blanks | twenty eight | 28 |

2nd proposed Amendment to the Constitution relating to quorum in General Court.

| | | |
|--------|------------|----|
| Yes | thirty one | 31 |
| No | nineteen | 19 |
| Blanks | thirty six | 36 |

A true record.

Attest,

Francis J. Stevens.

Clerk Precinct No. 1.

Attest: F. A. Howe } Town Clerk

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Boxford Essex Co Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Precinct 2. To Town Clerk of Boxford.

This may certify that at a meeting called by the Selectmen to be opened on the (3^d) third day of November A.D. 1891 to be opened at 10-15 o'clock and might be closed at 2-15, for the purpose of the legal inhabitants qualified to vote in Precinct 2 - in Boxford for the following officers. (Polls closed at 2.30)

For Governor of the Commonwealth.

| | | |
|----------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Total number of votes cast | fifty three | 53 |
| Charles H. Allen | of Lowell | thirty four 34 |
| Charles E. Kimball | of Lynn | none 0 |
| Harry W. Robinson | of Boston | none 0 |
| William E. Russell | of Cambridge | sixteen 16 |
| Henry Winn | of Malden | none 0 |
| Blanks | | three 3 |

For Lieutenant Governor.

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Total number of votes cast | fifty three | 53 |
| John W. Concoran | of Clinton | fourteen 14 |
| William H. Haile | of Springfield | thirty three 33 |
| George R. Pease | of Lynn | none 0 |
| William J. Shields | of Boston | none 0 |
| Augustus R. Smith | of Lee | one 1 |
| Blanks | | five 5 |

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Total number of votes cast | fifty three | 53 |
| Joseph D. Cable | of Westfield | none 0 |
| Elbridge Tushman | of Lakerille | sixteen 16 |
| William M. Clin | of Boston | thirty three 33 |
| Alfred W. Richardson | of Springfield | one 1 |
| Edward W. Theinert | of Holyoke | none 0 |
| Blanks | | three 3 |

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For Treasurer and Receiver General

| | | |
|----------------------------|------------------------|----|
| Total number of votes cast | fifty three | 53 |
| Charles Friede | of Boston none | 0 |
| James S. Grinnell | of Greenfield fifteen | 15 |
| George A. Marden | of Lowell thirty three | 33 |
| Samuel B. Shapleigh | of Boston one | 1 |
| Thomas A. Watson | of Braintree none | 0 |
| Blanks | four | 4 |

For Auditor.

| | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|----|
| Total number of votes cast | fifty three | 53 |
| William O. Armstrong | of Boston two | 2 |
| John W. Kimball | of Fitchburg thirty one | 31 |
| Squire E. Putney | of Somerville none | 0 |
| William D. T. Trefry | of Marblehead fifteen | 15 |
| William O. Wakefield | of Lynn none | 0 |
| Blanks | five | 5 |

For Attorney General.

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------|----|
| Total number of votes cast | fifty three | 53 |
| Walcott Hamlin | of Amherst two | 2 |
| Herbert McIntosh | of Worcester none | 0 |
| Albert E. Pillsbury | of Boston thirty two | 32 |
| George M. Stearns | of Chicopee sixteen | 16 |
| James Waldock | of Boston none | 0 |
| Blanks | three | 3 |

For Councillor. - Fifth District.

| | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|----|
| Total number of votes cast | fifty three | 53 |
| George W. Blatchford | of Rockport sixteen | 16 |
| Moses How | of Haverhill thirty two | 32 |
| Samuel Trash | of Peabody one | 1 |
| Blanks | four | 4 |

For Clerk of Courts, Essex

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------|----|
| Total number of votes cast | fifty three | 53 |
| David B. Kimball | of Salem seventeen | 17 |
| Dean Peabody | of Lynn twenty eight | 28 |
| Sidney Perley | of Salem four | 4 |
| Blanks | four | 4 |

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For County Commissioner Essex.

| | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|----|
| Total number of votes cast | fifty three | 53 | |
| Edward B. Bishop | of Haverhill | thirty three | 33 |
| William S. Lord | of Salem | twelve | 12 |
| Samuel C. Pease | of Merrimac | three | 3 |
| Blanks | | five | 5 |

For County Treasurer. - Essex.

| | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|----|
| Total number of votes cast | fifty three | 53 |
| Joseph S. Howe of Methuen | seventeen | 17 |
| E. Kendall Jenkins of Andover | twenty nine | 29 |
| Sebino Snow of Lynn | one | 1 |
| Blanks | five | 6 |

For Register of Deeds, Southern Essex Dist.

| | | | |
|----------------------------|-------------|--------------|----|
| Total number of votes cast | fifty three | 53 | |
| Jacob T. Choate | of Amesbury | one | 1 |
| Charles S. Osgood | of Salem | thirty eight | 38 |
| Blanks | | fourteen | 14 |

For Senator. - Fifth Essex district.

| | | | |
|----------------------------|-------------|------------|----|
| Total number of votes cast | fifty three | 53 | |
| Daniel N. Crowley | of Danvers | fourteen | 14 |
| Andrew H. Paton | of Danvers | none | 0 |
| B. Frank Southwick | of Peabody | thirty two | 32 |
| Blanks | | seven | 7 |

For Representative in General Court, 7th Essex Dist.

| | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------|------------|----|
| Total number of votes cast | fifty three | 53 | |
| Edwin H. George | of Groveland | thirty one | 31 |
| Edgar A. Knox | of Groveland | fifteen | 15 |
| Blanks | | seven | 7 |

For Amendment to the Constitution.

Shall the proposed Amendment of the Constitution relative to the qualification of voters for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Senators, and Representatives, be approved and ratified?

1891.

| | | |
|----------------------------|-------------|----|
| Total number of votes cast | fifty three | 53 |
| Yes | seventeen | 17 |
| No | twelve | 12 |
| Blanks | twenty four | 24 |

Shall the proposed amendment to the Constitution making a majority of numbers a quorum in each branch of the General Court, be approved and ratified?

| | | |
|----------------------------|-------------|----|
| Total number of votes cast | fifty three | 53 |
| Yes | seventeen | 17 |
| No | ten | 10 |
| Blanks | twenty six | 26 |

This may certify that the within is a true record. The votes being counted declared in open Precinct. The meeting dissolved.

James H. Webster
Clerk of Precinct 2 - Boxford.

Boxford. Nov. 3, 1891.

Attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk

1891

The following record is the total vote of the two Precincts of the Town of Buxford cast for State County & District Officers, at the Election held November 3^d 1891. The meeting for Precinct 1 being held at the Town Hall. The meeting for Precinct 2 being held at the Vestry in the Second Parish.

Governor

| | |
|--------------------------------|------|
| Charles H Allen of Lowell | 85 |
| Charles E Kimball of Lynn | 6 |
| Harry W Robinson of Boston | none |
| William E Russell of Cambridge | 43 |
| Henry Winn of Malden | none |

Lieutenant Governor

| | |
|--------------------------------|------|
| John W Corcoran of Clinton | 41 |
| William H Haile of Springfield | 83 |
| George R Pease of Lynn | none |
| William J Shields of Boston | none |
| Augustus R Smith of Lee | 9 |

Secretary of the Commonwealth

| | |
|------------------------------------|------|
| Joseph D Cable of Westfield | none |
| Elbridge Cushman of Laverille | 40 |
| William M Olin of Boston | 84 |
| Alfred W Richardson of Springfield | 8 |
| Edward W Theinert of Holyoke | none |

Treasurer and Receiver General

| | |
|--------------------------------|------|
| Charles Friede of Boston | none |
| James S Grinnell of Greenfield | 39 |
| George A Marden of Lowell | 85 |
| Samuel B Shapleigh of Boston | 8 |
| Thomas A Watson of Braintree | none |

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Auditor

| | | |
|---------------------|---------------|------|
| William C Armstrong | of Boston | 8 |
| John W Kimball | of Fitchburg | 81 |
| Squire E Putney | of Somerville | none |
| William D T. Freely | of Marblehead | 38 |
| William C Wakefield | of Lynn | none |

Attorney General

| | | |
|--------------------|--------------|------|
| Walcott Hamlin | of Amherst | 9 |
| Herbert McIntosh | of Worcester | none |
| Albert E Pillsbury | of Boston | 82 |
| George M Stetson | of Chicopee | 39 |
| James Waldock | of Boston | none |

Councillor, 5th District

| | | |
|---------------------|--------------|----|
| George W Blatchford | of Rockport | 38 |
| Moses How | of Haverhill | 82 |
| Samuel Trask | of Peabody | 8 |

Clerk of Courts Essex County

| | | |
|-----------------|----------|----|
| David B Kimball | of Salem | 41 |
| Wear Peabody | of Lynn | 78 |
| Sidney Parley | of Salem | 9 |

County Commissioner

| | | |
|-----------------|--------------|----|
| Edward B Bishop | of Haverhill | 81 |
| William S Lord | of Salem | 33 |
| Samuel C Pease | of Merrimac | 9 |

County Treasurer

| | | |
|-------------------|------------|----|
| Joseph S Howe | of Methuen | 38 |
| E Kendall Jenkins | of Andover | 80 |
| Sebino Snow | of Lynn | 7 |

Register of Deeds Southern Essex District.

| | | |
|------------------|-------------|----|
| Jacob T Choate | of Amesbury | 9 |
| Charles S Orgood | of Salem | 97 |

1891

Senator 5th Essex District

| | | |
|-------------------|------------|----|
| Daniel N Crowley | of Danvers | 26 |
| Andrew H Patorb | of Danvers | 2 |
| B Frank Southwick | of Peabody | 84 |
| Abner D Gorham | of Wenham | 1 |

Representative in General Court 7th Essex District

| | | |
|----------------|--------------|----|
| Edwin H George | of Groveland | 81 |
| Edgar A Knox | of Groveland | 35 |
| Allen Hardy | of Groveland | 1 |

Attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk

This may certify that I have on this first day of February 1892 destroyed the Ballots that were cast at the State Election in the two Precincts of this town on November 3^d 1891 for State County and District Officers

Attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk

1891

At a meeting of the Clerks of the 7th Essex Representative District, comprising the towns of Bofford, Topsfield, Groveland and Georgetown, held at the Town Clerks office of said Georgetown on November 13th 1891 to ascertain who was chosen to represent this District in The General Court during the year 1892. and the result is as follows

| | | | |
|----------------|--------------------|-------|-----------|
| Edwin H George | had in Georgetown, | Votes | 215 |
| Edwin H George | " " Groveland | " | 173 |
| Edwin H George | " " Topsfield | " | 78 |
| Edwin H George | " " Bofford | " | <u>81</u> |
| | | | 547 |

| | | | |
|--------------|----------------|---|-----------|
| Edgar A Knox | " " Georgetown | " | 180 |
| Edgar A Knox | " " Groveland | " | 229 |
| Edgar A Knox | " " Topsfield | " | 40 |
| Edgar A Knox | " " Bofford | " | <u>35</u> |
| | | | 484 |

Edwin H George has a plurality of 63

Allen Hardy had in Bofford Votes one

Edwin H George majority is 62

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

1892

At a legal meeting of the legal Voters of the town of Bofford held in the Town Hall of said Bofford on Monday the 7th day of March 1892. it being the annual Town Meeting of the Inhabitants qualified by law, to vote at Elections and in town affairs, the following record was made

| | | |
|-------|---|--|
| Chose | Israel A Herrick | } Moderator Oath Administered by John Parkhurst Esq. in open Town Meeting |
| Chose | F A Howe | } Town Clerk Oath Administered by E E Pearl Esq. in open Town meeting |
| Voted | That the Rev Wm P Alcott be invited to offer a Prayer, and he came forward and united with the people in Prayer | |
| Chose | Rufus W Emerson | } First Selectman } Second " " " } Third " " " |
| | Isaac C Day | |
| | George B Austin | |
| Voted | That the Selectmen shall be the Board of Assessors of Taxes, and Overseers of the Poor the ensuing year | |
| Chose | Elbridge Perley Charles F Austin | } Constables |
| Chose | E E Pearl | } Treasurer |
| Chose | George B Parkhurst William K Cole | } Auditors |
| Chose | Henry Perley George B Parkhurst Daniel A Conant | } Field Drivers |

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Chose

John S Chandler
J Warren Chadwick
Charles A Andrew

} Field Drivers

Chose

Israel Herrick
Rufus W Emerson
Solomon W Howe
A S Hurlbutt
John Parkhurst
Gardner S Morse
J Horace Nason
John M Pearl
Warren M Cole
Isaac C Day

} Surveyors
of
Lumber

Chose

Hiram N Towne
Chester Killam
Charles A Stetson
John W Parkhurst
Samuel P Peabody
George A Harriman
John M Pearl
J Horace Nason
John T Wood
Warren M Cole

} Surveyors
of
Wood & Bark

Voted to
take up
article 19

Chose Stephen A Bigby

} Road Commissioner
For the term of
three years

Voted to
take up
article 3

Chose Chester Killam

} School Committee
For the term of
three years

" " 4

Voted That the School Committee be instructed not to
choose a Superintendent of Schools

Voted

To adjourn the meeting for the space of thirty
minutes time

1892

The Town reassembled at the expiration of the thirty minutes and proceeded to business

Voted to
take up
Article 2

Chose E & Pearl

} Collector of Taxes

Article 5 Voted to accept the report of the Committee on School Funds

Voted That the Road Commissioners be requested to make out a report of the present condition of the 4 wide Posts and Boards in town, and present their report at the next town meeting that may be held

Voted To accept the Report of the Town Clerk

Voted To accept the Report of the Committee on building Town Hall

Voted That the outgoing Board of Overseers of the Poor be allowed to recommend to the incoming board that some improvements be made at the Alms House this year, and Mr Chadwick and Mr Parkhurst signed a statement that they recommend that the Alms House be painted and that the Wood Shed be Shingled

Voted That the Selectmen shall be the Fence viewers

Voted
to take up
Article 2

Chose Henry Moulton

Alden Spofford

} Pound Keepers

Voted That the Selectmen shall appoint a sealer of weights and Measures

1892

Took Art 6 Voted to accept the Report of the Auditors

Voted ⁷ That the action of last year in regard to the compensation of Town Officers shall be adopted this year, with the exception of Superintendent of Schools, as follows

The Treasurer and Collector shall receive one Hundred Dollars. The Road Commissioners shall be paid Two Dollars a day while in actual service.

The pay for the men whom they employ to work on the roads, and for the teams and implements to be used thereon, shall be paid at the same rate as was paid last year as follows, For a man 15 cents an hour while in actual service, and for a yoke of Oxen 20 cents an hour and for a Plow a Cart an Ox Shovel 5 cents an hour for each one.

And while pathing Snow a man shall be allowed 20 cents an hour and for a yoke of oxen 20 cents an hour and for a pair of Horses 30 cents an hour. It is further moved that in repairing the Highways there shall be allowed for a single Horse 20 cents an hour and for a pair of Horses 30 cents an hour shall be allowed. That all other Bills shall be allowed by the Selectmen, except their own bills for services rendered to the town. These bills must be brought before the town to be allowed. And it is further moved that the Road Commissioners shall at the end or close of each month's work, hand in to the selectmen a detailed account of all the work done on the roads during the month. How many men were employed, the amount paid to each man, also the amount of money paid for repairs on the Road Machine, and all other matters needed in a detailed account

And the Road Commissioners shall not expend more money than the town has appropriated for them until they consult the Selectmen and get their permission to do so.

Voted ⁸ That the same amount of money be raised for the support of Schools as was raised last year and expended in the same manner namely. Voted to raise Fifteen Hundred Dollars for the support of the Town Schools the ensuing year, and that Two Hundred Dollars of this money shall be expended for Musical Instruction in the said schools

Voted ⁹ To raise Three Thousand Dollars to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town the year ensuing

Voted ¹⁰ To raise One Thousand Dollars to expend for the repairs and amendments of the Highways and Bridges the ensuing year

Voted ¹¹ That the Road Commissioners shall act as they think best, in regard to making the roads passable when encumbered with snow

Voted ¹² That the Taxes shall be committed to the Collector the same as last year as follows.

Voted That the taxes shall be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of September next, And that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of October, and afterwards two per cent on all taxes paid before the first day of November, and that all taxes shall be collected before the first day of January 1893

1892

Voted ¹³

That the action relative to supplying Fuel for the town schools shall be the same as last year, as follows

Voted that the fuel to be used in the town Schools the ensuing year, shall be taken from the town farm, and shall be paid for from the money raised for the support of schools the ensuing year

Voted to
take up the
article 15th

Voted that the same action in regard to the Treasurer hiring money be taken as was taken last year, as follows

Voted that the Treasurer is authorized with the approval of the selectmen to hire such amounts of money as may be needed from time to time to pay demands against the town that may be made upon him, in anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year and payable therefrom

Voted ¹⁶

To raise One Thousand Dollars to be used in reducing the town debt

Voted
to take up
Article 14

Voted to accept the following named persons as suitable for jurors

| | | |
|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| James P Cleaveland | William H Anderson | Daniel W Conant |
| Alonzo J Henley | Albert G Hurlbutt | Hiram N Towne |
| David M Cole | John T Twisden | Alvin F Marden |
| George W Chadwick | Albert G Huntoon | |
| Charles Perley | | |
| Edward E Pearl | | |
| John T Wood | | |

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Voted to
take up
Art 18

Voted to divide the money that may be refunded on account of Dog Tax, equally between the two Libraries in town

Voted
to take up
Art 17th

Shall licenses be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this town the ensuing year.

The register of the Ballot Box when the first ballot or vote was presented indicated 000 and the Ballot Box was empty, at the close of voting the register on the Ballot Box indicated 62 votes and the check list indicated 63 votes. Upon opening the Ballot Box it was found to contain 63 votes the register attached to the Ballot Box had failed to record one vote that was cast.

The ballots were sorted counted and declared as follows

(Yes five) — (No fifty eight)

Voted to
take up
Art 20

Voted that Twenty Dollars be allowed to Captain E L Hooper to be expended by him in repairing Bald Hill road

Voted²¹

That the town shall print annually the names and numbers of books added to our libraries, the previous year

Voted²²

To abate that part of the tax set to Benjamin P Hale in list of 1891 as relates to Eighteen Thousand Dollars worth of personal property

1892

Voted

23

That the following bills of charge be allowed

Town of Bofford To F A Howe Dr
for services as Town Clerk \$37.80

Town of Bofford To John Parkhurst Dr
To services as one of the selectmen Assessor
and overseer of the Poor the past year \$151.69

Voted That John S Dormans bill for milk
furnished Mary Goodwin, be referred to the
incoming Board of Overseers of the Poor \$18.55

" " The Town of Bofford To Rufus W Emerson Dr
To services as Selectman Assessor
and Overseer of the Poor \$100.00

The Town of Bofford
To Geo. W Chadwick Dr
To services as Selectman Assessor and
Overseer of the Poor the past year
including cash paid for car fare stationery
postage &c in connection therewith \$100.00

The Town of Bofford to Geo W Chadwick Dr
To services as Assessor taking valuation of Estates
the past year \$72.00
Also preparing copy of said valuation
list for printer \$8.00

The Town of Bofford to Ralph C Huse Dr
Medical attendance upon Moses Hill \$10.00

Voted That the bill presented by J W Chadwick
for money paid Samuel Clark on account of
the town, be referred to the incoming Board of
Selectmen Mr Chadwick stated that the correct
amount of the Bill is \$19. instead of \$21.92

1892

Voted to
take up
Art 23

Voted to authorize the Selectmen to pay a bounty, as follows, for the evidence of the destruction of a woodchuck or a skunk within the township by a citizen of the town, satisfactory to the Selectmen, viz
for each woodchuck or skunk killed during the month of April, forty cents per head, for each such animal killed during other months of the year twenty cents

Voted to
take up
Art 6

Voted that the action in regard to the Report to be made out by the Auditors shall be the same as it was in 1890 as follows, Voted that the Auditors be requested to make out their report of all matters of interest to the town and cause the report to be printed so that copies of it may be distributed one week before the next annual town meeting is held, also that the warrant calling the next annual town meeting shall be printed in this report, and the selectmen shall close all accounts on or before February 1st 1893 and have their books ready at that time for the Auditors to examine.

It is further moved that the School Committee be requested to make out their report so that it may be inserted in the Auditors report

Voted to
take up
Art 24

Voted that the thanks of the town be extended to the ladies for the collation given in the lower Hall or Banquet Room

Voted

That the thanks of the town be extended to the Moderator for the faithful and impartial manner in which he has presided over the meeting

Voted

To dissolve the meeting Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

1892

At a legally called meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Buxford legally qualified to vote at Elections and in town affairs, Held at the Town Hall of said town on Saturday April 2^d 1892, The following record was made

Chose Francis J Stevens } Moderator

Voted To rescind the vote whereby the town at the last annual Meeting voted to pay a bounty for the destruction of noxious animals

Voted That the bounty for the destruction of noxious animals, (that have been killed up to this date April 2^d) shall be paid out of the money raised at the last annual meeting to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town the current year

Voted To indefinitely postpone Article 4th of the warrant

Voted That the Selectmen shall attend to the grading of the grounds around the Town Hall, and all expenses there for shall be paid from the money raised at the last annual meeting to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town the current year

Voted Not to assume the debt on the Piano which is in the Town Hall

1892

- Voted Not to refund the money to Walter & Smith which he paid on account of taxes assessed to him in the years of 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890.
- Chose William K Cole } 3^d Selectman
To fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of George B Austin
- Voted Not to choose an Auditor to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of William K Cole
- Chose Stephen K Fowler } A Committee
on the School Fund
- Voted That the Selectmen shall procure Earth Closets for the Town Hall
- Voted That the thanks of the town are due Augustus & Bachelder, for his generous gift to the town of the land on which the Town Hall was built
- Voted That the thanks of the town are due John Parkhurst Esquire, for the interest that he manifested in soliciting subscriptions of money which was used to aid in building our Town Hall
- Voted To Dissolve this meeting

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

1892

At a legally called Meeting of the inhabitants of Boyford legally qualified to vote at Elections and in town affairs. Held at the Town Hall of said Boyford on April 23^d 1892

The following record was made

Chose Warren M Cole } Moderator

Voted Not to rescind the action whereby the town voted to rescind a previous vote to pay a bounty for the destruction of noxious animals

Voted Not to assume the debt on the Piano which is in the Town Hall

Voted That the Committee who purchased the Piano which is in the Town Hall may allow it to remain there free of any expense to them for storage.

And the Committee may have the Town Hall at a nominal cost, for the purpose of holding entertainments to raise money to be used in reducing the debt on this Piano

Voted To Dissolve the meeting

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

1892

The following named officers were appointed by the Selectmen, as follows

April 14th William K. Cole } Auctioneer

" John M. Pearl

" William E. Perley

" Warren M. Cole

" Charles A. Andrew

" S. Frank Ayers

" Charles A. Stetson

} Special
Police
Officers

August 30th Albert H. Towne

April 30th George B. Killam } Inspector of Provisions
" " " Charles A. Andrew } and of Animals intended
for Slaughter or Kept for
the production milk

Attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk.

1892

Precinct Officers

Precinct One

| | | |
|---------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| Rufus W Emerson | } | Wardens |
| John Parkhurst | | |
| Stephen A Bixby | } | Inspectors of Elections |
| Frederic K. Brommer | | |
| William W Howe | } | Deputy Inspectors of Elections |
| Samuel A Frye | | |
| Francis J Sterens | } | Precinct Clerk |

Precinct Two

| | | |
|-------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| Isaac C Day | } | Wardens |
| George W Chadwick | | |
| William K Cole | } | Inspectors of Elections |
| Edward C Pearl | | |
| John T Chadwick | } | Deputy Inspectors of Elections |
| Nathan K Fowler | | |
| James H Webster | } | Precinct Clerk |

Boxford October 5th 1892

| | | |
|-----------------|---|-------------------------|
| Rufus W Emerson | } | Selectmen of Boxford |
| Isaac C Day | | |

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

1892

To Frederick Howe Town clerk

The following is the vote for officers at the first precinct
in Boxford, Nov. 8, 1892.

Electors for President and Vice President.

| | | |
|------------------------|--------------|------|
| Prohibition Candidates | five | (5) |
| Democratic " | thirty three | (33) |
| Republican " | fifty three | (53) |
| Peoples Party " | one | (1) |
| Blanks | three | (3) |

For Governor.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|------|
| William H. Haile of Springfield, | fifty two | (52) |
| Walcott Hamlin of Amherst, | three | (3) |
| Wm. E. Russell of Cambridge | thirty five | (35) |
| Blanks | five | (5) |

For Lieutenant Governor.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|------|
| James B. Carroll of Springfield, | twenty nine | (29) |
| Edward Kendall of Cambridge | five | (5) |
| Roger Walcott of Boston | forty seven | (47) |
| Wm. J. Shield of Boston | two | (2) |
| Blanks | twelve | (12) |

For Secretary of the Commonwealth.

| | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------|
| Charles S. Hamlin of Brookline | twenty eight | (28) |
| George Kempton of Sharon | one | (1) |
| William M. Olin of Boston | forty seven | (47) |
| Samuel B. Shapleigh of Boston | six | (6) |
| Blanks | thirteen | (13) |

For Treasurer and Receiver General.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|------|
| Wilbert D. Farnham of Somerville | four | (4) |
| James S. Grinnell of Greenfield | twenty six | (26) |
| George A. Marden of Lowell | forty eight | (48) |
| Blanks | seventeen | (17) |

1892

For Auditor.

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|------|
| Alfred H. Evans of Ashburnham | five | (5) |
| John W. Kimball of Fitchburg | forty seven | (47) |
| Maurice W. Landers of Springfield | one | (1) |
| Irving B. Sayles of Milbury | twenty six | (26) |
| Blanks | sixteen | (16) |

For Attorney General.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|------|
| Charles S. Lilley of Lowell | twenty nine | (29) |
| Albert E. Pillsbury of Boston | forty seven | (47) |
| Robert F. Raymond of New Bedford | four | (4) |
| Blanks | fifteen | (15) |

For Representative to Congress sixth district.

| | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------|
| Elbridge G. Brown of Boston | one | (1) |
| William Cogswell of Salem | forty seven | (47) |
| John H. Davis of Haverhill | four | (4) |
| Henry B. Little of Newburyport | twenty eight | (28) |
| Blanks | thirteen | (13) |

For Councillor fifth Dist.

| | | |
|---------------------------|--------------|------|
| Arthur B. Breed of Lynn | fifty one | (51) |
| Francis E. Hiner of Salem | twenty seven | (27) |
| Blanks | seventeen | (17) |

For District Attorney.

| | | |
|--------------------------------|------------|------|
| Robert E. Burke of Newburyport | thirty one | (31) |
| William H. Moody of Haverhill | fifty one | (51) |
| Blanks | thirteen | (13) |

For Sheriff

| | | |
|----------------------------|-------------|------|
| William S. Hoyt of Lynn | twenty nine | (29) |
| Samuel A. Johnson of Salem | fifty two | (52) |
| Blanks | fourteen | (14) |

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For County Commissioner.

| | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------|
| William F. M. Collins of Salem | twenty eight | (28) |
| John M. Donforth of Lynnfield | fifty four | (54) |
| Blanks | thirteen | (13) |

Special Commissioners.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|------|
| George W. Blatchford of Rockport | twenty six | (26) |
| Nelson P. Cummings of Merrimac | forty four | (44) |
| Jeremiah J. Mehony of Lawrence | nineteen | (19) |
| Thomas F. Pedrick of Lynn | thirty four | (34) |
| Blanks | sixty seven | (67) |

For Commissioners of insolvency.

| | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------|------|
| Benjamin C. Ames of Lawrence | forty five | (45) |
| William D. Chappel of Salem | forty three | (43) |
| Harry J. Cole of Haverhill | forty three | (43) |
| Fred A. Haynes of Haverhill | twenty seven | (27) |
| Daniel D. Sanders of Gloucester | twenty two | (22) |
| George L. Weil of North Andover | twenty three | (23) |
| Blanks | eighty three | (83) |

For Senator fifth district.

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------|------|
| George E. Batchelder of Lynnfield | four | (4) |
| Lemuel M. Brock of Lynn | thirty | (30) |
| Samuel L. Sawyer of Danvers | fifty | (50) |
| Blanks | eleven | (11) |

For Representative in General Court 7th Essex Dist.

| | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|------|
| Warren M. Cole of Boxford | thirty two | (32) |
| Gardner S. Morse of Boxford | fifty three | (53) |
| Horace Ray of Topsfield | three | (3) |
| Blanks | seven | (7) |

Amendment to the Constitution

| | | | |
|-----------------|-------|--------------|------|
| Yes, twenty one | (21) | No, fourteen | (14) |
| Blanks | sixty | | (60) |

Whole number of Ballots ninety five (95)

Attest Francis J. Sterens Clerk of Precinct 1.

A true copy attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk.

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Boxford Nov. 8 1892.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of Precinct Two 2, qualified to vote as the law directs, assembled at the time and place and for the purpose therein expressed. At (10) ten O'clock A.M. the warrant calling the meeting was read by Precinct Clerk who then publicly opened the ballot box and the same having been personally examined by the election officers and the public, was found to be empty. The ballot-box was immediately locked, the register indicating 000, and the key of the box was taken and retained by Charles F. Austin the Constable in attendance. The Precinct Clerk then called upon the inhabitants of said Precinct qualified to vote, to give in their ballots for the purpose expressed in said warrant. The ballot-box remained locked while the polls were open. At two O'clock and forty minutes P.M. the polls were closed. The ballot-box was found to register seventy four 74. The Officers in charge of the check-list, in the presence of the other officers and the public counted in a distinct and audible voice the names checked on said list, and announced the whole number to be seventy four 74. The ballot box was then opened by the warden, without being removed from the public view, the ballots taken therefrom and audibly counted one by one and the Precinct Clerk publicly announced the whole number to be seventy-four 74. The precinct Officers then proceeded to count the number of votes received by each person voted for with the following result.

Viz.

Elector of President and Vice President

Bidwell and Cranfill Prohibition

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| | At Large | Prohibition | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|-------------|-----|
| John Bascom of Williamstown | " | one | (1) |
| Richard W Cone of Boston | " | one | (1) |
| Dist. 1 Augustus R. Smith of Lee | " | one | (1) |
| " 2 Charles G. Allen of Barre | " | one | (1) |
| " 3 Charles B. Knight of Worcester | " | one | (1) |
| " 4 Edward M. Stone of Hudson | " | one | (1) |
| " 5 Varnum Lincoln of Andover | " | one | (1) |
| " 6 George H. Hoyt of Haverhill | " | one | (1) |
| " 7 George M. Buttrick of Everett | " | one | (1) |
| " 8 John S. Paine of Cambridge | " | one | (1) |
| " 9 James M. Gray of Boston | " | one | (1) |
| " 10 Henry W. Slugg of Boston | " | one | (1) |
| " 11 Charles C. Bragdon of Newton | " | one | (1) |
| " 12 William H. Phillips of Taunton | " | one | (1) |
| " 13 Robert A. Sherman of New Bedford | " | one | (1) |

Cleveland and Stevenson Democratic.

| | At Large | |
|---|----------|-----------------|
| Patrick A. Collins of Boston | " | twenty one (21) |
| John E. Russell of Leicester | " | twenty one (21) |
| Dist. 1 James M. Clark of Holyoke | " | twenty one (21) |
| " 2 John B. O. Donnell of North Hampton | " | twenty one (21) |
| " 3 Charles Haggerty of Southbridge | " | twenty one (21) |
| " 4 Charles J. Williams of Acton | " | twenty one (21) |
| " 5 Peter H. Donohoe of Lowell | " | twenty one (21) |
| " 6 James F. Dean of Salem | " | twenty one (21) |
| " 7 Samuel K. Hamilton of Wakefield | " | twenty one (21) |
| " 8 Ferdinand F. French of Winchester | " | twenty one (21) |
| " 9 Edward J. Flynn of Boston | " | twenty one (21) |
| " 10 Josiah Duncy of Duncy | " | twenty one (21) |
| " 11 Robert Bleakie of Hyde Park | " | twenty one (21) |
| " 12 Joseph L. Sweet of Attleborough | " | twenty one (21) |
| " 13 John W. Coughlin of Fall River | " | twenty one (21) |

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Harrison and Reid

Republican.

At Large

| | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|------------|------|
| Nathaniel P. Banks of Waltham | " | forty nine | (49) |
| John D. Long of Hingham | " | forty nine | (49) |
| Dist. 1 Joseph Griswold of Greenfield | " | forty nine | (49) |
| " 2 George W. Johnson of Brookfield | " | forty nine | (49) |
| " 3 Edward B. Glasgow of Worcester | " | forty nine | (49) |
| " 4 Henry A. Goodrich of Fitchburg | " | forty nine | (49) |
| " 5 Peter D. Smith of Andover | " | forty nine | (49) |
| " 6 Frank Cousins of Salem | " | forty nine | (49) |
| " 7 George W. Walker of Malden | " | forty nine | (49) |
| " 8 Edward Glines of Somerville | " | forty nine | (49) |
| " 9 Jonathan A. Lane of Boston | " | forty nine | (49) |
| " 10 John Shaw of Quincy | " | forty nine | (49) |
| " 11 John R. Bullard of Dedham | " | forty nine | (49) |
| " 12 Benjamin S. Lorrell of Weymouth | " | forty nine | (49) |
| " 13 John Simpkins of Yarmouth | " | forty nine | (49) |

Weaver and Field

Peoples Party.

At Large

| | |
|---|---|
| Edward Bellamy of Chuckopee | " |
| George F. Washburn of Boston | " |
| Dist. 1 Irving M. Miller of Pittsfield | " |
| " 2 William C. Tabor of Orange | " |
| " 3 Lot Berry of Spencer | " |
| " 4 Asa F. Hall of Hudson | " |
| " 5 Hiram W. K. Eastman of Lawrence | " |
| " 6 J. B. Woodfin of Marblehead | " |
| " 7 J. E. Clements of Lynn | " |
| " 8 Anthony J. Philpott of Arlington | " |
| " 9 Henry Lemon of Boston | " |
| " 10 George J. Moulton of Boston | " |
| " 11 Erastus L. Metcalf of Franklin | " |
| " 12 Thomas S. Hodgson of Middleborough | " |
| " 13 Frank E. Peck of Wareham | " |

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Wing and Matchett

Socialist Labor.

At Large

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|---|
| Jacob Thomas of Springfield | " | " |
| Dist. 1 Augustus Kleiner of Adams | " | " |
| " 2 | " | " |
| " 3 | " | " |
| " 4 | " | " |
| " 5 | " | " |
| " 6 | " | " |
| " 7 Patrick F. O'Neil of Boston | " | " |
| " 8 Nathan Stahl of Boston | " | " |
| " 9 J. Robert Simmons of Boston | " | " |
| " 10 Emil Roers of Boston | " | " |
| " 11 Thomas Mooney of Boston | " | " |
| " 12 | " | " |
| " 13 | " | " |

Governor of the Commonwealth.

Whole number of votes for Governor seventy four (74)

William H. Haile of Springfield Republican
fifty (50)Walcott Hamlin of Amherst Prohibition
one (1)

Squire E. Putney of Somerville Socialist Labor

William E. Russell of Cambridge Democratic,
twenty (20)

Henry Winn of Malden Peoples Party

Blanks three (3)

Lieutenant Governor.

Whole number of votes for Lieutenant Governor

seventy four (74)

James B. Carroll of Springfield Democratic.

Twenty (20)

Edward Kendall of Cambridge Prohibition

one (1)

William J. Shields of Boston Peoples Party

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Charles N. Wentworth of Lynn Socialists Labor
 Roger Wolcott of Boston Republican

Forty-six (46)
 Blanks seven (7)

Total number of votes for secretary seventy-four (74)
 Charles S. Hamlin of Brookline, Democratic
 nineteen (19)

George Kempton of Sharon Peoples Party

Frederick A. Nagler of West Springfield
 Socialist Labor one (1)

William M. Clin of Boston Republican
 forty-five (45)

Samuel B. Sharpleigh of Boston, Prohibition.
 one (1)
 Blanks eight (8)

Treasurer and Receiver General

Total number of votes for Treasurer and Receiver
 General seventy-four (74)

Wilbert D. Farnham Jr. of Somerville, Prohibition.
 one (1)

James S. Grinnell of Greenfield, Democratic
 Eighteen (18)

George A. Marder of Lowell, Republican.
 forty-eight (48)

James R. Nugent of Boston Socialist Labor

Thomas A. Watson of Braintree Peoples Party
 Blanks seven (7)

Auditor

Total number of votes for Auditor seventy-four (74)

Alfred H. Evans of Ashburnham Prohibition
 one (1)

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John W. Kimball of Fitchburg, Republican
 forty-seven (47)
 Maurice W. Landers of Springfield⁵ Peoples Party
 Michael Lynch of Boston Socialist Labor
 Irving B. Sayles of Millbury, Democratic
 twenty (20)
 Blanks six (6)
 Total number of votes for Attorney General
 seventy-four (74)
 Charles S. Lilley of Lowell, Democratic
 eighteen (18)
 Herber McIntosh of Worcester, Peoples Party
 Albert E. Pillsbury of Boston, Republican,
 forty six (46)
 Robert F. Raymond of New Bedford, Prohibition
 two (2)
 James Waldock of Boston, Socialist Labor,
 Blanks eight (8)

Representative in Congress
 Total number of votes for Representative in Congress,
 6th Dist.
 seventy-four (74)
 Elbridge Gerry Brown of Boston Peoples Party.
 William Cogswell of Salem, Republican
 forty-nine (49)
 John H. Davis of Haverhill, Prohibition
 one (1)
 Henry B. Little of Newburyport, Democratic,
 nineteen (19)
 Blanks five (5)

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Councillor Fifth district.

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|------|
| Total number of votes | seventy-four | (74) |
| Arthur E. Breed of Lynn, Republican | Forty-six | (46) |
| Francis E. Hines of Salem, Democratic | Eighteen | (18) |
| Blanks | Ten | (10) |

District Attorney eastern district.

| | | |
|---|--------------|------|
| Total number of votes | seventy-four | (74) |
| Robert E. Burke of Newburyport, Democratic. | Seventeen | (17) |
| William H. Moody of Haverhill, Republican | Forty-nine | (49) |
| Blanks | eight | (8) |

Sheriff, Essex County.

| | | |
|--|--------------|------|
| Total number of votes | seventy-four | (74) |
| William S. Hoyt of Lynn, Democratic | Eighteen | (18) |
| Samuel A. Johnson of Salem, Republican | Fifty one | (51) |
| Blanks | Five | (5) |

County Commissioner of Essex

| | | |
|--|--------------|------|
| Total number of votes | seventy-four | (74) |
| William F. M. Collins of Salem, Democratic | Nineteen | (19) |
| John M. Danforth of Lynnfield, Republican | Forty-six | (46) |
| Blanks | Nine | (9) |

Special Commissioner of Essex

| | | |
|---|--------------|------|
| Total number of votes | seventy four | (74) |
| George W. Blatchford of Rockport, Democratic. | Seventeen | (17) |
| Nelson P. Cummings of Merrimac, Republican. | Fortyone | (41) |

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Jeremiah J. Mahoney of Lawrence, Democratic
 Sixteen (16)
 Thomas F. Pedrick of Lynn, Republican
 Thirty-three (33)
 Commissioners of Insolvency, Essex
 Total number of votes seventy-four (74)
 Benjamin C. Ames of Lawrence, Republican,
 Forty-three (43)
 William D. Chappel of Salem, Republican
 Forty-three (43)
 Harry J. Cole of Haverhill, Republican,
 Forty-four (44)
 Fred A. Haynes of Haverhill, Democratic,
 Eighteen (18)
 Daniel D. Saunders of Gloucester Democratic,
 Sixteen (16)
 George L. Weil of North Andover, Democratic
 Twenty (20)
 Blanks Thirteen (13)

Senator. Fifth district.

Total number of votes for Senator seventy-four (74)
 George E. Blatchelder of Lynnfield, Prohibition
 Three (3)
 Lemuel M. Brock of Lynn, Democratic
 Seventeen (17)
 Samuel L. Sawyer of Danvers, Republican,
 Forty-eight (48)
 Blanks Six (6)

Representative in General Court 7th. Essex District.

Total number of votes seventy four (74)
 Warren M. Cole of Boxford, Democratic,
 Seventeen (17)
 Gardner S. Morse of Boxford, Republican
 Fifty-three (53)

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Horace Ray of Topsfield. Prohibition. Two (2)
 Blanks Two (2)

Amendment to the Constitution Yes and No.
 Shall the proposed amendment to the Constitution
 abolishing the property qualification for the office of
 Governor be approved and ratified?

The number of votes for Yes, Twenty three (23)
 The number of votes for No, Thirteen (13)
 Blanks Thirty-eight (38)

The ballots were sorted, counted, recorded, and
 declared in open Precinct Meeting. Then by a
 vote the meeting was dissolved.

A true copy of record.

Attest James H. Webster

Clerk of Precinct 2 of Boxford, Boxford November 8, 1892.

A true copy attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

November 16th 1892 The Selectmen and Town
 Clerk of Boxford assembled this day and recounted
 the Ballots cast for Governor and for Senator in
 5th Essex Senatorial Dist in said town on Novem-
 ber 8th 1892 and find a gain of two votes for
 William H Hail of Springfield for Governor

And again of one vote for Samuel L Sawyer of
 Warrers for Senator 5th Essex District

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

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November 18th The Town Clerks of Topsfield Bofford Groveland and Georgetown met at the Town Clerks office in Georgetown this day to ascertain who was chosen as Representative to General Court in the 7th Essex District and the following is the result of the canvass

| | | | |
|---------------|----------------|-------|------------|
| Warren M Cole | had in Bofford | Votes | 49 |
| " " " " | " " Topsfield | " | 43 |
| " " " " | " " Georgetown | " | 212 |
| " " " " | " " Groveland | " | <u>219</u> |
| | | | 523 |

| | | | |
|-----------------|----------------|---|------------|
| Gardner S Morse | " " Bofford | " | 106 |
| " " " " | " " Topsfield | " | 111 |
| " " " " | " " Georgetown | " | 276 |
| " " " " | " " Groveland | " | <u>185</u> |
| | | | 678 |
| | | | <u>523</u> |

Gardner S Morse has a plurality of 155

| | | | |
|-------------------------|----------------|-------|-----------|
| Horace Ray of Topsfield | had in Bofford | Votes | 5 |
| " " " " | " " Topsfield | " | 18 |
| " " " " | " " Georgetown | " | 7 |
| " " " " | " " Groveland | " | <u>11</u> |
| | | | 41 |

Gardner S Morse has a Majority of 114
and is elected to represent this District
in the General Court during 1893.

Attest J A Howe } Town Clerk

(Note) Warren M Cole and Gardner S Morse are residents of Bofford

This may certify that I have this 23^d day of February 1893. destroyed the Ballots cast in the two precincts at the State & National election held in November 1892
J A Howe } Town Clerk.

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At a legally called meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Boyford, legally qualified to vote at elections and in Town affairs, Held at the Vestry in the Second Parish in said Town of Boyford on Monday the sixth day of March 1893 it being the annual Town meeting. The following record was made.

Chose Edward E. Pearl } Moderator
Oath administered by
John Parkhurst esq.
in open Town meeting.

Chose John W. Parkhurst } Town Clerk
Oath administered by
Edward E. Pearl esq.
in Open Town Meeting.

Voted That Rev. C. L. Hubbard be invited to unite with the people in prayer, and he came forward and offered prayer.

Chose Isaac C. Day } First Selectman
John Parkhurst } Second "
Hiram N. Towne } Third "

Voted That the Selectmen shall be the board of Assessors of taxes and Overseers of the Poor the ensuing year.

Chose Albert H. Towne } Constables.
Charles F. Austin }

Chose Edward E. Pearl } Treasurer.

Voted To choose but one Auditor

Chose George B. Parkhurst } Auditor.

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Chose

William H. Keys
A. G. Hurlbutt
S. W. Howe

} Field Drivers.

Chose

John M. Pearl
Charles Perley
George Lowery

} Field Drivers.

Chose

S. W. Howe
S. A. Bixby
John Parkhurst
George P. Frame
George W. Twitchell

} Surveyors of Lumber.

Chose

J. Horace Nason
John M. Pearl
Warren M. Cole
John T. Wood
C. F. Austin

} Surveyors of Lumber.

Chose

John W. Parkhurst
Samuel P. Peabody
George P. Frame
Alvin Marden
A. G. Hurlbutt

} Surveyors of
Wood and Bark.

Chose

John M. Pearl
Warren M. Cole
J. Horace Nason
Albert P. Hovey
Gardner S. Morse

} Surveyors of
Wood and Bark.

Chose

Edward E. Pearl } Collector of Taxes.

Voted

That the Selectmen shall be Fence Viewers.

Voted

That the Selectmen shall appoint a sealer of weights
and measures.

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Chose

Henry Monlton
Alden Sprofford

} Pound Keepers.

Chose

Edward E. Pearl

} School Committee for 3 years.

Voted

To instruct the School Committee not to choose a Superintendent of Schools.

Voted

To accept the report of the Town Clerk.

Voted

That the Clerk be thanked and that his report be spread on the records of the Town.

Voted

To lay Art. 5 on the table until after accepting the Auditor's Report.

Voted

To accept the Auditor's report.

Voted

That the action of last year in regard to the compensation of Town Officers shall be adopted this year as follows.

The Treasurer and Collector shall receive one hundred dollars. The Road Commissioners shall be paid two dollars a day while in actual service. The pay for the men whom they employ to work on the roads, and for the teams and implements to be used thereon shall be paid at the same rate as was paid last year, as follows.

For a man fifteen cents an hour while in actual service, and for a yoke of oxen twenty cents an hour, and for a plow a cart and ox shovel, five cents an hour for each one.

And while pathing snow, a man shall be allowed twenty cents an hour and for a yoke of oxen, twenty cents an hour and for a pair of horses thirty cents an hour.

It is further moved that in repairing the highways, there

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shall be allowed for a single horse twenty cents an hour and for a pair of horses thirty cents an hour.

That all other bills shall be allowed by the Selectmen, except their own bills for services rendered to the Town; these bills must be brought before the Town to be allowed.

And it is further moved that the Road Commissioners shall at the end or close of each months work, hand in to the Selectmen a detailed account of all the work done on the roads during the month, how many men were employed the amount paid to each man; also the amount of money paid for repairs on the Road Machine, and all other matters needed in a detailed account. And the Road Commissioners shall not expend more money than the Town has appropriated for them until they consult the Selectmen and get their permission to do so.

Voted Not to abolish the Board of Road Commissioners.

Chose Henry Perlez } Road Commissioner for 3 years.

Voted To adjourn for one hour.

The Town reassembled at the expiration of one hour and proceeded to business.

Voted That the Town Treasurer be instructed to condense the several notes held by the Committee on School Funds against the Town into one note.

Voted To accept the report of the Committee on School Funds.

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- Voted To ratify all that has been done by the outgoing board of Selectmen and that the ingoing board use their judgement in regard to the family of Dexter Kenney.
- Voted Art. 10) That a separate motion be made in regard to the teaching of music in the schools.
- Voted To raise fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500.) for the support of Schools the ensuing year.
- Voted That two hundred dollars (\$200.) of the fifteen hundred dollars raised for the support of schools be used for ^{the} teaching of music in the Schools.
- Voted To raise the sum of four thousand dollars (\$4000.) to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the Town the year ensuing.
- Voted To raise the sum of fourteen hundred dollars (\$1400.) to be expended for the repairs and amendments of the Highways and Bridges the ensuing year.
- Voted To pass over Article 13 for the present, and take it up subsequently.
- Voted To leave the matter of raising any sum of money for repairs on the Bald Hill road in the hands of the Selectmen.
- Voted That the Selectmen ascertain the legality of laying out money on the Bald Hill road.
- Voted To divide the money that may be refunded on account of Dog Licenses equally between the two Public Libraries of the Town.

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Art. 16.

Shall licenses be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this Town the ensuing year.

The register of the Ballot Box when the first ballot was presented, indicated 000 and the Ballot Box was empty. At the close of the voting the register on the Ballot Box, indicated 45 votes, and the check list indicated 47 votes. Upon opening the Ballot Box it was found to contain 47 votes. The register attached to the Ballot Box had failed to record 2 votes that was cast.

The ballots were sorted, counted and declared as follows (Yes 7) — (No 40)

Voted
Voted to
reind this
vote.

That the action relative to supplying Fuel for the Town Schools shall be the same as last year.

Voted

That the action relative to making the roads passable when encumbered with snow, shall be the same as last year, as follows.

That the Road Commissioners shall act as they think best in regard to making the roads passable when encumbered with snow.

Voted

That the Taxes shall be committed to the Collector the same as last year, as follows:

That the Taxes shall be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of September next. And that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of October, and afterwards two per cent on all taxes paid before the first day of November, and that all taxes shall be collected before the first day of January 1894.

Voted

To lay Art. 21 on table.

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Voted
Taken from
the table

To accept the following named persons as suitable for jurors.

Hiram N. Towne

Stephen K. Fowler

John T. Twisden

Henry M. Killam

Rufus W. Emerson

William H. Anderson

S. Frank Ayers

J. Warren Chadwick

Albert E. Hurlbutt

Benj. P. Hale

Frank W. Killam

J. Henry Nason

Henry Perley

Warren M. Cole

Voted

To rescind the vote on Art. 18 whereby they voted to adopt the same method in regard to supplying the Town Schools with fuel as last year.

Voted

That the fuel to be used in the Town Schools the ensuing year shall be paid for from the money appropriated to defray necessary charges and expenses of the Town for the ensuing year.

Voted

To authorize their Treasurer to hire money under the direction of the Selectmen in anticipation of taxes for the ensuing year and payable therefrom.

Voted

To pass over Art. 23.

Voted

To accept Mr. Stephen K. Fowler's resolutions which are as follows.

Whereas Frederick A. Howe, of the East Parish in Boxford, has for four years (1889, 1890, 1891, 1892.) served as Clerk of the town of Boxford with singular fidelity and success, and Whereas, Mr. Howe declined to allow the use of his name for reelection.

Resolved, that the Town of Boxford publicly expresses its confidence in Mr. Howe and the deep sense of obligation it is under for his

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continued, his patient and persistent efforts which have made the records Models of accuracy and neatness.

Resolved, that these resolutions of respect and approval be transmitted to Mr. Howe in writing by his successor in office.

Resolved, that these resolutions be spread on the records of the town.

Resolved, that the town clerk of Boxford offer these resolutions for publication in the Georgetown Advocate, And the Salem Gazette.

Voted That the Selectmen be instructed to order the laying of the track of the Haverhill and Salem Electric Railway through this Town over the following described highway.

Beginning at the boundary line between Boxford and Georgetown north easterly of the residence of Alvin F. Marden, thence past the residence of Albert E. Peabody, past the residence of Miss M. J. Perley, past the first Congregational Church to the residence of Elvin French thence past the residence of Solomon W. Howe, past the residence of John S. Dorman, William Goodwin, William H. Shirley and Charles W. Ingalls to the boundary line between Boxford and Topsfield.

Voted To instruct the Selectmen to invite the Essex Agricultural Society to hold a meeting the coming season in Boxford.

Voted To take up Art. 2

Chose John ~~H~~ Parkhurst } Committee on
School Funds

Voted That five hundred dollars be raised to reduce the Town debt.

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- Voted That a vote of thanks be extended to the Ladies of this Parish for the dinner they have provided.
- Voted That the School Committee be instructed to hire Miss Spofford to teach music in the Town Schools.
- Voted That the thanks of the Town be extended to Mr. Pearl (the Moderator) for the faithful manner in which he has presided over this meeting.
- Voted That the following bills of charge be allowed.

Town of Bofford to Rufus W. Emerson Dr.
 To services as Selectman Assessor and
 Overseer of the Poor \$97.00
 To stationery, postage expressage and
 travelling expenses \$13.10
 \$110.10

Town of Bofford to Isaac C. Day Dr.
 To services as Selectman Assessor Overseer
 of the Poor and Board of Health the past year \$79.00

Town of Bofford to W. K. Cole Dr.
 To services as Selectman Assessor and
 Overseer of the Poor the past year including
 cash paid for Stationery postage and Justice fees \$47.50
 To services as registrar of voters 6.50
 To services as inspector of elections 2.00
 \$56.00

Town of Bofford to F. A. Howe Dr.
 To services as Town Clerk the past year
 including cash paid for justices fees
 and Express charges on Books etc \$36.80

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The following is the report of the Town Clerk, that the Town voted to place on the records of the Town.

The undersigned begs leave to make the following report upon the subjects herein named

Births.

I have recorded during the year 1892 nine births as compared with fourteen last year. Six female children and three male children. The births occurred in the following named months, one in January one in April, three in May, one in June, one in July, one in August, one in October. The birth place of the Fathers; four in Bofford, one in Canada, one in Chelmsford one in Boston, one in Charlestown, one in Limington Maine. The birth place of the Mothers; two in Georgetown, one in Canada, three in Bofford, one Prince Edwards Island, one Lawrence, one Sackville N.B.

Marriages.

It will be remembered that our continued existence as a corporate body has heretofore been considered somewhat precarious on account of the ~~considered~~ inactivity of Cupid and although I have recorded during the year 1892, but six marriages as compared with eleven marriages last year, yet four of the couple who have been joined in marriage have concluded to make Bofford their abiding place as compared with one couple who did so last year, so it will appear that although our record falls far short of the number of marriages recorded in 1891 yet we manage to retain many more people in 1892 than we did in 91.

In connection with this part of my report I beg leave to say that in the early part of the fall I issued a marriage certificate to a couple and also entered in the book of

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Intentional Marriages their declaration that they intended to begin the journey of life together but this was a case evidently that ended as it began simply with good intentions for the certificate of marriage that issued never came back, never came back. The marriages that I recorded in 1892, occurred in the following named months, one in February one in March, one in May, one in September, two in December. Residences as follows. In three instances Bride and Groom both of Boxford, in one instance Bride and Groom both of No. Andover. In one instance the Bride Boston the Groom Boxford. In one instance the Bride Boxford the Groom Boston.

Although there are seven resident Clergymen in town yet in one instance a Justice of the Peace was called upon to solemnize a marriage, perhaps it may be well to petition the Governor and Council to appoint several more Justices so that the present officials may not be overtaxed in this occupation should cupid become more active.

Deaths.

I have recorded 23 deaths during the year 1892 as compared with 29 deaths last year. The deaths were in the following named months. 8 in January, 4 in March, 1 in April, 2 in May, 1 in June, 1 in August, 1 in September, 1 in October, 2 in November, 2 in December. The ages as follows, one was 45 days old, one was 20 years 6 months 28 days, one 43 years, one 53 years 5 months 10 days, one 54 years 1 month one 54 years 7 months, one 63 years 6 months, one 65 years 9 months 15 days, one 67 years 7 months 21 days, one 68 years 7 months 23 days, one 69 years 11 months 22 days, one 72 years 8 months 1 day.

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one 73 years 1 month 29 days, one 73 years 7 months 27 days, one 77 years 7 months, one 78 years 28 days, one 80 years 1 month 23 days, one 87 years 7 months 7 days, one 88 years 3 months 17 days, one 88 years 6 months 4 days, one 89 years 1 month, one 89 years 10 months 5 days, one 91 years 4 months.

The Diseases or cause of Death in one instance accidental drowning, and the remaining deaths resulted from the various diseases that we are subject to of a less frightful nature.

Place of burial. One in Fryeburg Maine, one in Boston, one in South Framingham, one in Georgetown, nine in the First Parish, ten in the Second Parish. We cannot learn from year to year the very high death rate in this our town without more or less concern as to what the result will be to us as a corporate body. Each recurring census shows that we number less and less, but we need not consult the census, we are constantly reminded of the state of affairs by the deserted farms and gaping cellars that greet our eyes as we traverse the paths, lanes and byways of our town; over these cellars there once stood houses and in them were raised large families of children; they subsisted on the products of their farms and the income realized from the flocks and herds that grazed upon our numerous hills and valleys.

In looking over the records I find that many families numbered 7 and 8 children respectively, some numbered 10 others 12, one or two families 13 each, and one family numbered 15 children; what would the heads of the families of that time accomplished if they had stood aghast when they found themselves surrounded by a family of only two or three children. What shall we say of the fortitude of these men who

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exhibited such strength and firmness of mind and soul, that enabled them to meet all adversity without murmuring depression or despondency.

They toiled but their toilsome years did not subdue their spirits for when the time came for them to smite they did smite with telling effect.

Allowing that they were a more robust vigorous people than we are, what ought to be expected of us who have the benefit of the most perfectly constructed farming implements and tools that can be made. It would seem as if ingenuity had been taxed to its utmost in perfecting farming tools of all kinds to say nothing of the labor saving machines of our time.

Can we sing too loudly the praises of the men who have gone before us, when we consider what they accomplished while laboring under adverse circumstances and in perilous times.

Will they not rise in judgement against us if we allow this land to become a desert waste.

What can be done to dispel from the minds of the rising generation the thought that nothing can be accomplished in Boxford.

What can be done to stop the flight of our young men who at the age of 21 years or even before this seize their valise and flee to some distant city or town to seek a fortune.

Can there not be some encouragement given to our young men to remain here I have sometime thought that it might be well for the Town to hold out inducements for Manufacturers of any legitimate kind of goods to establish their business here by agreeing to exempt their property from taxation for the space of ten or even twenty years according to the number of operatives that might be

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employed. If we could succeed in this undertaking there would then be a home market for farm produce and we then would see our town dotted throughout with farm houses.

Had we not ought to take steps at once in this direction by choosing a committee to go out among some desirable Manufacturers and invite them to establish their business here, And should there be a response to their invitation let us sincerely pray that the owners of land may be reasonable in their demands.

Oath of Office.

Although all of the officers who were chosen at our last annual meeting were notified by the Constables to qualify by taking the oath of office to which they were chosen yet nine officers who were chosen failed to meet the requirements of the law. I am gratified to find that there is some improvement in this respect as the number who usually failed to respond heretofore has been 14 or 15.

Records.

I would once more in this my last report urge upon the town the importance of recording every birth that takes place in Bofford.

I am impressed with the great importance of this by the experience that I have had during the past four years, for I have seen people greatly troubled to find that the names of some of their children were not recorded.

It would give me great pleasure if the parents of all the children that have been born since January 1st 1893 would send into the present Town Clerk the name of the child and the date of its birth their own names and their respective places of birth

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Famous Trees.

There has been no additional entries in the book of the Famous Trees of Boxford during the year 1892. It is to be hoped that if any more Famous trees are discovered that due notice will be given to the Town Clerk who will see that a proper record is made of them.

I noticed that favorable mention was made by the press in regard to the action of our town in establishing this record.

Dogs.

This very important subject requires a great deal of thought to properly present before any deliberative body. I find in an experience of four years, that many men have many minds upon this subject while some men believe a dog to be the most intolerable nuisance that man ever tolerated, others believe the dog to be paramount to all other animals; and I will here state that my experience leads me to believe that a dog is of very doubtful utility. During the four years that I have issued licenses to lengthen out the days of this animal I have noticed that it has been somewhat erratic at times.

At one time we would be disturbed by the cry of Mad Dog while journeying through our town, liable at any time to have the poisonous fangs of some unwise cur who was foolish enough to imagine himself the victim of hydrophobia imbedded in our limbs; of course no harm could come to us unless we should be so unwise as to imagine ourselves the victims of hydrophobia and finally work ourselves into a sort of a frenzy and end the scene in dissolution.

At one time a flock of sheep were almost completely annihilated. And as the sheep industry is about driven out of the land by

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This animal, how will it do to raise flocks of dogs instead of flocks of sheep and thereby increase the revenue from this source, for the greater number of dogs there would be an increased revenue to help support the Schools or Libraries as the Town should determine.

If the dog industry should become an established business here we would, as we journeyed through our town from place to place be greeted by the howls of scores of yelping curs; at first these sounds might be somewhat disturbing to us, but as we become accustomed to them they will seem like the sweetest music of a thousand tuneful harps.

I find that there is already an increased number of dogs in town, for I have received \$159.00 for issuing licenses to prolong the lives of 62 Male dogs and 7 Female dogs as compared with \$147.00 last year, for issuing licenses for 61 Male dogs and 5 female dogs. It will be seen that there are two more female dogs and one more male dog than existed last year. Undoubtedly the revenue from this source will be greater than ever before during the year 1893.

F. A. Howe } Town Clerk

Boxford Mar 6th 1893.

Voted

That the meeting be dissolved.

Attest John W. Parkhurst, } Town Clerk.

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The following named persons were appointed
by the Selectmen of Boyford as follows.

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| Charles A. Andrew | { Inspectors of Provisions and of Animals intended for Slaughter, or kept for the Production of Milk |
| George B. Killam | |

Attest J. W. Parkhurst
Town Clerk.

Election Officers 1893.

Precinct One.

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| John Parkhurst | { Wardens. |
| A. G. Hurlbutt | |
| Francis J. Stevens | { Clerks. |
| Chester Killam | |
| Fred E. Gillis | { Inspector. |
| Samuel A. Frye | |
| Hiram N. Towne | { Deputy Inspector. |
| Rufus W. Emerson | |

Precinct Two.

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| Isaac C. Day | { Wardens. |
| John T. Chadwick | |
| Edward C. Pearl | { Clerks. |
| Warren M. Cole | |
| William K. Cole | { Inspector. |
| J. Henry Nason | |
| Nathan K. Fowler | { Deputy Inspector. |
| Walter I. Chadwick | |

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| John Parkhurst | { Selectmen of Boyford |
| Hiram N. Towne | |

Attest J. W. Parkhurst
Town Clerk.

Warren M. Cole was appointed by the Selectmen as Road Commissioner in place of J. Warren Chadwick resigned.
March 1893.

I hereby certify that this is a true copy of the Town Record from 1857 to 1893.

Attest: John W. Parkhurst,

Boxford Jan. 20, 1921.

Town Clerk of Boxford.

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